

**Batavia Books Between Bites Program**  
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**Batavia's Books Between Bites Program for 2010-2011 Announced**

**(BATAVIA)** Batavia's popular noontime book program, **Books Between Bites**, announces its 24th season. The monthly series is held at the Batavia Public Library, 10 S. Batavia Avenue, from noon to 1 p.m., featuring a number of local authors and presenters, including several returning favorites this year.

The 2010-2011 season opens Thursday, September 16, welcoming Chicago author Jonathan Eig, to discuss his new book ***Get Capone: The Secret Plot That Captured America's Most Wanted Gangster***. Based on never-before-seen government documents and newly discovered letters written by Al Capone himself, *Get Capone* presents America's most infamous gangster as you've never before seen him. Eig, a former reporter for The Wall Street Journal, brings his uncompromising standards for research and a superb knack for storytelling to one of the most thrilling stories in American history. He recently discussed the book on The Daily Show, and Sunday Papers with Rick Kogan. The book will be available for sale and signing by the author during the program. The book's Website is: [getcapone.com](http://getcapone.com).

**(Complete 2010-2011 schedule attached)**

The public is invited to attend these free programs from 12:00 to 1 PM, presented September through May on the third Thursday of the month. Reservations are not required. The program is held in the large community room located on the main level of the Batavia Public Library. Parking is available in the lot just south and adjacent to the library.

People are invited to bring their lunch and eat as they enjoy the program and discussion. Lunch items, beverages and baked goods can be purchased at 10 South Coffee House, located just inside the library and adjacent to the meeting room. To pre-order for pick-up just before the program, please call 630-406-8870.

Books Between Bites was established in Batavia in 1987 by the late Lee C. Moorehead. The program is being continued by Moorehead's wife, Betty, and his daughter, Becky Hoag, in partnership and co-sponsorship with George H. Scheetz and Stacey Cisneros of Batavia Public Library.

For more information about **Books Between Bites**, please call the program director Betty Moorehead, at 630-879-4426. The complete schedule can be found on the Website: [booksbetweenbites.com](http://booksbetweenbites.com). Printed season schedules are available at Batavia Public Library in the entry hall kiosk.

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## **Batavia's Books Between Bites Schedule for 2010-11**

**Location - Batavia Public Library, 10 S. Batavia Avenue**

**Noon - 1 pm Third Thursday of the month**

Bring your lunch and enjoy a different book review/discussion each month.

Purchase lunch from 10 South Coffee House in the Library – To order in advance call: 630/406-8870

**Betty Moorehead, Director, 630-879-4426 Batavia Public Library, 630-879-1393**

**Thursday, September 16, 2010**

***Get Capone: The Secret Plot That Captured America's Most Wanted Gangster***

**Author/Presenter: Jonathan Eig**

Based on never-before-seen government documents and newly discovered letters written by Al Capone himself, **Get Capone** presents America's most infamous gangster as you've never before seen him. The Chicago author, a former reporter for *The Wall Street Journal*, brings his uncompromising standards for research and a superb knack for storytelling to one of the most thrilling stories in American history.

**Thursday, October 21, 2010**

***Being Wrong: Adventures in the Margin of Error* by Kathryn Schulz**

**Presenter: Roger Breisch**

Breisch, Executive Director of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce, talks about how he faces the tragedy of feeling we are wrong as he deals with callers to the suicide hotline. He will also touch on his experiences with debates about the future of Batavia, the Socrates Cafe he moderates in Geneva, and the teens at Operation Snowball. You are sure to walk away with insights on the joy of discovering we are wrong.

**Thursday, November 18, 2010**

**Batavia Literary Highlights, Part 4**

**Presenter: Mayor Jeff Schielke**

Mayor Jeff Schielke continues sharing his discoveries in literature, both new and old, which feature Batavia, Illinois, and Batavians. The highly entertaining pieces are sure to catch the interest of local readers. A special feature this year are appearances of the legendary Oke G. Pamp. The tall, Swedish, "Bohemian Batavian" was a champion of barbed letters to the editor.

**Thursday, December 16, 2010**

***Getting Sassy***

**Author/Presenter: D.C. Brod**

Tri-City author D.C. Brod returns to tell about her newest book. With her nearly broke and practically homeless mother about to land on her doorstep, Robyn Guthrie learns that desperation can play havoc with a daughter's scruples. Otherwise, why would she even consider kidnapping a goat and holding it for ransom? Publishers Weekly gave *Getting Sassy* a starred review, saying "Caper fans will relish Brod's offbeat stand-alone thriller."

**Thursday, January 20, 2011**

***My Occasional Torment* by Bee Robb**

**Author/Presenter: Bruce Steinberg**

Award-winning, star-reviewed author Bruce Steinberg returns with a new moniker for a new novel, *My Occasional Torment*. This time Bruce's novel is also a powerful play performed at Naperville's beautiful Center Stage Theater, February 2011. Both book and play dare ask the question, What makes a woman a woman — and how in the world would a man know the answer? A do-not-miss special treat: actors and producers will appear to discuss adapting the play from this novel, as well as to perform a scene.

**Thursday, February 17, 2011**

***The Last Hero* by Howard Bryant**

**Presenter: Lester Munson**

Nationally known commentator, writer, ESPN editor, and our go-to guy on sports topics, Lester Munson returns for his annual visit to share his impressions of this new sports book. *The Last Hero*, the biography of Henry Aaron, tells the story of a great athlete, his battle against racism, and his quest for respect.

**Thursday, March 17, 2011**

**One Book, One Batavia selection 2011**

**To Be Announced**

**Thursday, April 21, 2011**

***Abraham Lincoln and the Structure of Reason***

**Co-author/Presenter: Dan Van Haften**

For more than 150 years, historians have speculated about what made Abraham Lincoln great. How did Lincoln create his iron logic, his compelling reason, his convincing oratory, and his memorable writing? Some point to Lincoln's study of grammar, literature, and poetry. Others believe it was the deep national crisis that elevated Lincoln's oratory. Co-author Dan Van Haften (of Batavia) discusses his new book that persuasively argues, for the first time, that it was Lincoln's in-depth study of geometry that gave our sixteenth president his verbal structure.

**Thursday, May 19, 2011**

**Presenter: Rick Kogan**

Rick Kogan, of the Chicago Tribune and WGN Radio, returns for his annual visit to Books Between Bites. We will update his topic closer to the date, so Rick can pick something timely to discuss. Will he have a new book out by then? Stay tuned.