

summer 2008 programs

Greek Athletics and the Olympic Games

Thurs., June 12, 7 p.m.

Registration suggested.

Were the ancient games better than ours? More fair and square? More about sports and less about money? Are the modern games more sexist? More political? Have we strayed from the ancient Olympic ideal?

As the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing nears, learn more about the origins of the games in this illustrated lecture by John Kuehne. Mr. Kuehne will examine the Greek athletic games, focusing on the stadiums, athletic facilities and artifacts from Olympia and the other three Panhellenic sanctuaries. Athletics played an important role in the life of every Greek male. To win at the games was one of the highest honors attainable, reflecting glory not only on the winner, but on his family and city as well.

John Kuehne has excavated for three field seasons in Mendes, Egypt, and has been the petrographic analyst for two British archaeological programs. He has a master's degree in archaeological material science from the University of Sheffield, England; a post-baccalaureate in classical language from the University of Pennsylvania, and a bachelor's degree in classical and ancient Mediterranean archaeology from Penn State.

This Outreach Lecture Program is funded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology.



Celebrate Urban Birds Walk at the Audubon Center at Mill Grove

Sat., June 21, 8 a.m.

Space is limited and registration is required for this program; to sign up, visit the circulation desk or call the library at (610) 644-0138.

Join Valley Forge Audubon Society president Vince Smith at the Audubon Center at Mill Grove to identify birds that are nesting at the center. Birders of all ages and levels are welcome. Participants will meet at the main parking lot at Mill Grove, and should bring binoculars and field guides if they have them, as well as insect repellent and sunblock.

Courtyard Concert: Dana Lee and Howie

Tues., Aug. 12, 7-8p.m.

No registration required.

Acoustic duo Dana Lee and Howie

will be presenting a family-friendly concert in the library's outdoor courtyard. The duo performs songs from the '60s through the '90s, including a mix of classic and modern rock, folk and country.

Continuing Programs

Afternoon Book Club

First Tuesday of each month, 1 p.m.

Needlework Club

First Thursday of each month, 1:30 p.m.

Foreign Film Series

First Thursday of each month, 7 p.m.

Great Books

Second and fourth Wednesday of each month, 7 p.m.

Berwyn Village Poets

Second Saturday of each month, 10 a.m.

Mystery Book Club

Fourth Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m., or fourth Thursday, 3 p.m.

Adult Evening Book Club

Fourth Wednesday of each month, 7:15 p.m.

Meetings

The following nonprofit organizations meet at monthly at Easttown Library.

Main Line Genealogy Club

Second Thursday of each month, 1 p.m.

Chester County League of Women Voters

Third Thursday of each month, noon

Tredyffrin Easttown Historical Society

Third Sunday of each month, 1:30 p.m.