



WORLD WAR Z

An Oral History of the Zombie War

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Ignorance was the enemy. Lies and superstition, misinformation, disinformation. Sometimes, no information at all. Ignorance killed billions of people. Ignorance caused the Zombie War. --David Allen Forbes, artist & zombie plague survivor, p. 194

Upcoming One Book, One College Events

Emergency Responses at Moraine Valley Featuring MVCC Police Chief Patrick O'Connor

Watch and listen to the event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1796>

Wednesday, January 29th at 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m., Library Lounge, Building L

MVCC Chief O'Connor will discuss emergency preparedness at MVCC. This will include a range of scenarios and preparedness responses that are in place. Students, staff, and faculty are invited to attend to learn what they can do to be prepared on campus.

How Plagues, Disease, and Outbreaks Have Changed History

Watch and listen to the event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1809>

Tuesday, February 4th, 12:30pm - 1:45 p.m., Building L, Library Lounge

The fear of plagues and outbreaks has been part of literature and storytelling for many years. World War Z uses a zombie virus to end one civilization and bring about a new one. This panel will consider the role of disease, plagues, and outbreaks throughout history.

Panel Members

- Merri Fefles
- Josh Fulton
- Jim McIntyre
- Kristine VanBaren

Public Health Preparedness: Whole Community Involvement featuring Jeremy Hirst Office of Risk and Emergency Management at DuPage County Health Department

Tuesday, March 25th, 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m., Library Lounge, Building L

Regardless of the event, public health is a critical component to emergency preparedness planning. Join us as Jeremy Hirst, Chief, Office of Risk and Emergency Management at DuPage County Health Department, discusses these topics.

Psychology of Zombies: A Panel Discussion

Watch and Listen to this event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1865>

Thursday, March 27th at 11a.m. - 12:15 p.m., Library Lounge, Building L

What do zombies and zombie stories teach us about the human mind, the ways we think, and our emotional responses. Join us as we explore zombies from a psychological perspective?

Panel Members:

- Mitch Baker
- Laura Lauzen-Collins
- Young Shim
- Nick Shizas
- Amy Williamson

Meaning in Destruction: Apocalyptic and Post-Apocalyptic Literature

Watch & Listen to this event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1889>

Wednesday, April 2, 11a.m. - 11:50 a.m., Building L, Library Lounge

Why do so many people find stories about the end of society to be fascinating? How do authors use the end of civilization to tell stories? In what ways have authors rebuild society after the end of the world?

Panel Members:

- Eric DeVillez
- Tish Hayes
- Jason King
- Carey Millsap-Spears
- Amanda Pettigrew

Suicide: A Human Condition featuring Dr. Jason Burns

Watch & listen to this event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1890>

Thursday, April 3, 12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Dr. Burns is a psychiatrist at the Medical College of Wisconsin. He will explore cultural, legal, and ethical issues surrounding suicide as well as provide contemporary medical perspective on suicide neuroscience, epidemiology, and risk assessment. Your thoughts and questions around this complex issue are encouraged during the question and answer session.

The Truth about Vaccinations and Herd Immunity

Watch & listen to this event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1935>

Tuesday, April 29th, 12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m., Library Lounge, Building L

The Internet is full of information and misinformation around the safety of vaccines. The medical community does not debate vaccine safety, but a vocal communities keep the debate alive. How safe are vaccines?

Panel Members:

- Maryan Jatczak
- Aaron Smith
- Nick Hackett
- Layla Khatib

Fall One Book, One College Events

The Hopeful Mythology of World War Z

Watch & Listen to this event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1494>

Wednesday, Sept. 11, Noon-1 p.m., Building L, Library Lounge

Literary scholar Mairin Barney of Roosevelt University takes us on an exploration of *World War Z* and "zombie literature." She will define the characteristics of the genre and how Max Brooks' work fits into the larger discussions this genre brings forth.

Surviving a Zombie Apocalypse

Watch & Listen to this event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1517>

Tuesday, Sept. 24, 12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m., Building L, Library Lounge

World War Z presents us with a thought experiment about society. How would governments and institutions stand up to a major societal collapse? We bring together faculty members to answer this question and to challenge them to think about how they would survive.

Panel Members

- Michelle Furlow, Criminal Justice
 - Nick Hackett, Anatomy and Physiology
 - Jason King, Math and Geography
 - Krista Syrup, Natural Science
 - Krista Appelquist (moderator), Communications
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Zombies, Art and Pop Culture

Watch and Listen to this event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1541>

Wednesday, Oct. 9, 1-2 p.m., Building L, Library Lounge

The creepy, brain-hungry zombie has become a symbol across art, film and literature. How is the image of the zombie used? Where did it come from? Why does it resonate with audiences?

Panel Members:

- Craig Rosen, Theater
 - Erik LaGattuta, Fine Arts
 - Jason King, Math and Geography
 - Carel Millsap-Spears, Literature
 - Tish Hayes, Librarian
 - Troy Swanson (moderator), Librarian
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Am I Really an Individual or Just a Zombie? A Panel Discussion

Watch and Listen to this event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1527>

Thursday, Oct. 3, 11 a.m.-Noon, Building L, Library Lounge

People are social creatures, and as such, we naturally join groups, conform to social pressures, and seek to fit in. Yet, we also value the individual who is willing to stand apart and be different. Philosophy faculty members will discuss the ways that philosophers have thought about the individual and the group.

Potential Panel Members

- Jeff Christ, Philosophy
 - Aaron Smith, Philosophy
 - Troy Swanson, Library
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Free Film: *World War Z* with Brad Pitt

Saturday, Oct. 12, 6:30 p.m., MVCC Gateway Arch (Moraine Rooms if bad weather)

Join us for a free viewing of the 2013 film *World War Z* featuring Brad Pitt. Bring your blankets! This event is sponsored by College and Community Relations.

Zombie Math: Real-World Implications of the Numbers

Watch and Listen to this event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1577>

Tuesday Oct. 22, 11 a.m.-Noon, Building L, Library Lounge

Mathematicians Jerimi Walker and Brian Kurth and biologist Peter Porter use a fictional zombie outbreak as a way to explore real-world mathematical models used to predict disease outbreaks, "predator/prey" models in nature, the spread of gossip, and other network-theory applications. This will be a fun discussion that demonstrates the power of math.

Free Film: the Night of the Living Dead

Sponsored by Honors and the Film Makers' Club

Wednesday, Oct. 29th, 3:30pm, Oremus Theater in the FPAC

Join us for the film that started it all, George Romero's 1967 classic, *Night of the Living Dead*. This film is widely recognized as the birthplace for the modern zombie in film and literature. The makers of AMC's hit show the *Walking Dead* acknowledge that they use *Night of the Living Dead* as their "bible" for zombie lore. Join the Honors Program and the Film Makers' Club for this free event. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase.

World War Z and International Relations

Watch and listen to this event here: <http://ext.morainevalley.edu/librarynews/?p=1612>

October 28th 2:30 p.m. -3:30 p.m., Building L, Library Lounge

Description: Assistant Professor of Political Science Kevin Navratil will discuss how theories and concepts in international relations apply to the book *World War Z*. Several passages from the book will be analyzed through the lens of international relations and applications to current events in world politics. This event is a collaboration between One Book One College and Global and Diversity Education.
