Albert Wisner Public Library presents:

Monday Afternoon at the Movies

1:00 pm

(Please note movie length when scheduling Dial-a-Bus.)

Register online at <u>www.albertwisnerlibrary.org</u> or call 986-1047 ext. 3 *Movie is subject to change without notice.*

April 6—*Birdman* (2014) Starring Michael Keaton, Edward Norton and Emma Stone. A washed up actor, who once played an iconic superhero, battles his ego and attempts to recover his family, his career and himself in the days leading up to the opening of a Broadway play. Rated R; 119 min.

April 13—*The Theory of Everything* (2014) Starring Eddie Redmayne and Felicity Jones. The extraordinary story of one of the world's greatest living minds, the renowned astrophysicist Stephen Hawking, who falls deeply in love with fellow Cambridge student Jane Wilde. Once a healthy, active young man, Hawking received an earth-shattering diagnosis at 21 years of age. With Jane fighting tirelessly by his side, Stephen embarks on his most ambitious scientific work, studying the very thing he now has precious little of – time. Together, they defy impossible odds, breaking new ground in medicine and science, and achieving more than they could ever have dreamed. Rated PG-13; 123 min.

April 20—*Freedom Writers* (2007) Starring Hilary Swank and Patrick Dempsey. Erin Grunwell, an idealistic twenty-three-year-old English teacher at Wilson High School confronted a room of "unteachable, at-risk" students. One day she intercepted a note with an ugly racial caricature, and angrily declared that this was precisely the sort of thing that led to the Holocaust—only to be met by uncomprehending looks. So she and her students, using the treasured books *Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl* and *Zlata's Diary: A Child's Life in Sarajevo* as their guides, undertook a life-changing, eye-opening, spirit-raising odyssey against intolerance and misunderstanding. They learned to see the parallels in these books to their own lives, recording their thoughts and feelings in diaries and dubbing themselves the "Freedom Writers" in homage to the civil rights activists "The Freedom Riders." PG-13; 123min. *Discussion and refreshments to follow.*

April 27—*The Judge* (2014) Starring Robert Downey, Jr. and Robert Duvall. Big city lawyer Hank Palmer returns to his childhood home where his father, the town's judge, is suspected of murder. Hank sets out to discover the truth and, along the way, reconnects with his estranged family. Rated R; 141 min.

May 4—Into the Woods (2014) Starring Emily Blunt, Meryl Streep and Johnny Depp. A witch tasks a childless baker and his wife with procuring magical items from classic fairy tales to reverse the curse put on their family tree. Rated PG; 125 min.

May 11—Fearless Fagan (1952) Some real Hollywood heavyweights join forces to make this light - but true-comedy about a clown, a lion, and the US Army. After Fearless Fagan's story was recounted in Life magazine, Hollywood pounced on the chance to bring the big pussycat to the public. When carnival clown Floyd Hilston gets drafted, he shows up at the army base with an unusual companion in tow - the tame lion he has raised since birth. Unable to find an appropriate caretaker for his feline ward, Floyd must convince his superior to give him time to find Fearless Fagan a home. Starring Carleton Carpenter and Janet Leigh. NR; 79 min.

May 18—*This Is Where I Leave You* (2014) Starring Tina Fey, Jason Bateman and Jane Fonda. When their father passes away, four grown siblings are forced to return to their childhood home and live under the same roof together for a week, along with their over-sharing mother and an assortment of spouses, exes and might-have-beens. Rated R; 103 min. *Discussion and refreshments to follow.*

The Library is closed on Monday, May 25 for Memorial Day.

June 1—*Life's a Breeze* (2013) Starring Fionnuala Flannigan, Kelly Thorton and Pat Shortt. A charming comedy that follows a family struggling to stay afloat and together through hard times. The family is turned upside down when Nan's (Fionnula Flanagan) unemployed slacker son Colm (Pat Shortt), and his niece Emma (Kelly Thornton) make a well-intended attempt to clean out her house and accidentally trash the mattress where she's been stashing her life savings. Now they must overcome their many differences to lead their family in a race against time to find a lost fortune. Rated R; 83 min.

June 8—*Foxcatcher* (2014) Starring Steve Carel, Channing Tatum and Mark Ruffalo. The greatest Olympic Wrestling Champion brother team joins Team Foxcatcher led by multimillionaire sponsor John E. du Pont as they train for the 1988 games in Seoul - a union that leads to unlikely circumstances. Rated R; 129 min.

June 15—American Sniper (2014) Starring Bradley Cooper and Sienna Miller. Navy SEAL sniper Chris Kyle's pinpoint accuracy saves countless lives on the battlefield and turns him into a legend. Back home to his wife and kids after four tours of duty, however, Chris finds that it is the war he can't leave behind. Rated R; 132 min. Discussion and refreshments to follow.

June 22 – *A Most Wanted Man* (2014) Starring Philip Seymour Hoffman, Rachael McAdams and Willem Dafoe. A Chechen Muslim illegally immigrates to Hamburg, where he gets caught in the international war on terror. Rated R; 122 min.

June 29—**Still Alice** (2014) Starring Juilianne Moore, Alec Baldwin and Kristen Stewart. Alice Howland, happily married with three grown children, is a renowned linguistics professor who starts to forget words. When she receives a devastating diagnosis, Alice and her family find their bonds tested. Rated PG-13; 101 min.