### **REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME:	
HOME PHONE:	
EMAIL:	

**INTRODUCTORY MOVIES** Registration Suggested  $\bigcup$  Mon., 2/18 7:00 PM ~ Million Dollar Baby **Tue.**, 2/19 7:00 PM ~ From Here to Eternity **Wed.**, 2/20 7:00 PM ~ Sophie's Choice **\_\_] Thur., 2/21** 7:00 рм ∼ **Life Is Beautiful** 

### Check the <u>CLASSES</u> (@ \$8) you plan to attend:

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acula {f Fri., 2/22}$  6:30 PM  $\sim$  Memorable Movie Moments  $\sim$ Led by Sue Thornquist (movie: It Happened One Night)

 $\square$ Sat. 2/23 1:30 PM ~ The Biggest Oversight: What Oscar Forgot ~ Led by Debbie Venezia (movie: Billy Elliot)

igstarrow Sat. 2/23 5:30 PM ~ Critical Look at the Oscars: Larsen and Lentz Weigh in (movie: Eastern Promises)

**\_Sat. 2/23** 5:00 PM ~ **Pizza** 

### **OUR FESTIVAL MOVIES COMPLIMENT THE CLASSES**

Seating is limited to 25; Registration Is Required	
<b>Fri.</b> , 2/22	8:15 PM ~ It Happened One Night
<b>Sat. 2/23</b>	10:00 AM ~ Who Framed Roger
	Rabbit?
<b>Sat. 2/23</b>	3:00 рм ~ <b>Billy Elliot</b>
<b>Sat. 2/23</b>	7:15 PM ~ <i>Eastern Promises</i>
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JSun. 2/24 12:30 PM ∼ Oscar Surprise Party

Fees:

- Single Movie: \$4.00
- Single Class: \$8.00
- Pizza, drink and cookie: \$5.00 \$
- Sunday's Oscar Party and movie: \$10.00 \$

### Packages:

- Mon. to Thurs., all 4 movies: \$12.00
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Fri. and Sat., all-day pass: \$35.00
- \$ \_ All-Festival Pass - Best Deal!: \$50.00

TOTAL DUE

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# **Register for Four Introductory Nights** of Oscar Winning Movies

Mon., February 18  $\sim$  7:00 PM  $\sim$  Million Dollar Baby; 4 Oscars. Maggie has been waitressing since she was 13. She sees boxing as a way out when she meets Frankie at a seedy gym.

### **Tue., Feb. 19** ~ 7:00 PM ~ *From Here to Eternity;*

8 Oscars. Considered one of the best military movies of all time. The film deals with honor, love, adultery, injustice, vengeance, and duty. Discussion leader: Jonathan Dean

### Wed., February 20 $\sim$ 7:00 PM $\sim$ Sophie's Choice;

1 Oscar. Ebert says, "Sophie's Choice is a fine absorbing, wonderfully acted, heartbreaking movie. It is about three people who are faced with a series of choices, some frivolous, some tragic. As they flounder in the bewilderment of being human in an age of madness, they become our friends, and we love them."

### Thur., February 21 $\sim$ 7:00 PM $\sim$ Life Is Beautiful;

3 Oscars. Comedy is the only weapon Guido has to protect his son during the Holocaust. A movie about the human spirit's desire to rescue and make the world a better place for our children. Discussion leader: Sue Thornquist

All movies are presented in FUMC's theater, room 217. Registration is suggested by filling out the attached form or calling the church office at 630-968-7120. A \$4.00 donation is requested.

The Power of Movies Lies in Their Ability to Reflect Our Hopes, Dreams, Beliefs, Values, and Culture





**THE MOVIE LOVERS' FESTIVAL** For the Love of Oscar Classes, Movies, Discussion February 18 - 24, 2008

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# THE MOVIE LOVER'S FESTIVAL: For the Love of Oscar

Classes, Movies, Discussion

Our third movie festival features nine movies, three classes, a pizza supper, and Oscar party. Six of our movies have won Oscars in the past, two are this year's Oscar nominations. Josh Larsen and Bob Lentz square off Saturday at 5:30 PM as they discuss their picks for this year's Oscars. Sunday's "The Envelope Please" gives you a chance to predict the Oscar winners and to test your movie knowledge.

The Festival kicks off with four movie nights featuring Oscar winning movies, on Feb. 18 to 21, followed by three days of classes, movies and discussion groups. For a full listing of all events and links to movie trailers visit the church website at www.dgfumc.org.



# Friday, February 22

6:30 PM ~ CLASS: Memorable Movie Moments with Sue Thornquist. What makes a film great? What elements give a film a timeless quality, something we can watch and enjoy over and over again? Sue Thornquist will discuss the ingredients needed for a film to be considered great. The Class is followed by:

8:15 PM ~ MOVIE: *It Happened One Night*; 5 Oscars. An utterly beguilling film, sexy in the old fashioned way.

# Saturday, February 23

10:00 AM ~ MOVIE: Cartoons for Adults, Who Framed Roger Rabbit? won 3 Oscars. The movie that made cinematic history for mixing live action and animation in the same space at the same time. Discussion led by Wilhelmina Shoger.

1:30 PM ~ CLASS: The Biggest Oversight: What Oscar Forgot. Class led by Debbie Venezia. The Class is followed by:

 $3:00\ \text{PM} \sim \text{MOVIE:}$  Billy Elliot; no Oscars. A coal miners son discovers dance much to his father's consternation.

5:00 PM ~ PIZZA Dinner

5:30 PM ~ CLASS: Critical Look at the Oscars: Larsen and Lentz Weigh In. Followed by:

7:15 PM  $\sim$  MOVIE: **Eastern Promises;** Oscar nomination. The movie is a thriller whose scenes will linger in your mind for a long time.

# Sunday, February 24

12:30 PM ~ The Envelope, Please... Oscar Surprise Party Food, drink, games, prizes, and a movie

#### FEES:

Single Movie: \$4.00 suggested donation Single Class: \$8.00 Pizza, drink and cookie: \$5.00 Oscar Party and movie: \$10.00

Packages:

Monday to Thursday, all 4 movies: \$12.00 Friday and Saturday, all-day pass: \$35.00 For the Love of Oscar All-Festival Pass - (all 9 movies, 3 classes, pizza dinner and Oscar party). Best Deal! \$50.00

For more description and actual movie trailers of all the movies:

www.dgfumc.org

## FILM FESTIVAL BIOGRAPHIES

Sue Thornquist was the inspiration for the movie festival. She has taught English and Film at Downers Grove South High School for 25 years. She continues to take film classes and is a regular attendee at the Chicago Film Festival and Roger Ebert's Overlooked Movie festival.

Wilhelmina Shoger began writing movie reviews as a junior at the University of Michigan. She and her husband Owen are huge movie buffs.

Josh Larsen is the movie editor for the Naperville Sun and 13 weekly Sun newspapers including the Downers Grove Sun. His reviews also appear in the Daily Southtown and the American Enterprise Magazine.

**Robert Lentz** publishes FILMBOBBERY, a quarterly movie magazine featuring reviews, articles and opinions. Two of his books, Lee Marvin: His Film and career, and Korean War Filmography were published by McFarland and Co. His newest book, Gloria Grahame: Her Films and Career comes out this year. Bob graduated from Hinsdale South in 1978 and from North Central College in 1982 with three majors, English, Speech, and Theatre and Film and Film Criticism. He has worked in various capacities in the film industry and considers himself a film historian.

**Deborah Venezia** has earned a reputation as a patron of the arts in the Chicagoland area. Realizing that there must be others in the area who shared her passion for cinema, she founded the After Hours Film Society, a not-for-profit organization that regularly brings specialty films to suburban audiences. Meeting twice a month at the Tivoli Theatre in Downers Grove, the group has grown over the past 20 years and plays to an average audience of 500 on the second and fourth Monday of every month.

In addition, Debbie is the executive director of the Naperville Fine Art Center and Gallery and also the chairman of the Riverwalk Fine Art Fair in Naperville, one of the top outdoor art fairs in the country.