

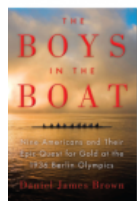


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This May, join the entire community in reading

THE BOYS IN THE BOAT
Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics



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"One Community, One Book" Initiative Features

Daniel James Brown's Best Selling Book *The Boys in the Boat*

The Buffalo & Erie County Public Library, in collaboration with several community partners, introduces the "One Community, One Book" initiative, which encourages everyone to read the same book during the month of May 2017. The book chosen is the 2013 runaway bestseller *The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics* by Daniel James Brown. There is a young-reader edition by the same author, titled *The Boys in the Boat: The True Story of an American Team's Epic Journey to Win Gold at the 1936 Olympics*.

During the month of May, there will be dozens of free public activities and discussions relating to the book. The collaborative project, designed to provide a powerful shared experience across communities through reading the same book and encouraging dialogue, was initiated by the Clarence Public Library and has grown to include the 37-site Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System and partners including the Town of Clarence Youth Bureau, Monkey See Monkey Do Bookstore, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, University at Buffalo Libraries, the Buffalo Maritime Center, and Bistro Bookers.

A #1 New York Times bestseller, *The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics* tells the remarkable story of nine working-class Seattle boys attending the University of Washington who, despite significant personal challenges in the depths of the Great Depression, found the strength, endurance and unity to defeat the best rowing teams in the world. They persevered to win the gold medal at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin, upsetting Adolf Hitler's display of German superiority. This truly American story of the underdog rising above all disadvantages in class, birthright, economics and human endurance has been critically acclaimed and inspired a PBS documentary, *The Boys of '36*, which aired in 2016. The book has been optioned for a major motion picture by The Weinstein Company, though a release date is not yet announced.

Schools and book clubs are encouraged to participate and can learn more by clicking here for details: <https://tinyurl.com/OC1Book> or by contacting the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System at 716-858-8900. The "One Community, One Book" Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/One-Community-One-Book-1152998814778713/>, and this is a list of related programs: <https://tinyurl.com/knx2a3l>.

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