

One Book, One Chicago At Shimer

The One Book, One Chicago program presented by the Chicago Public Library is launched once each spring and fall to cultivate a culture of reading and discussion in Chicago by bringing people together around one great book. As those associated with Shimer already know, reading great literature provokes thought, and discussing great literature brings people together and adds to the depth of the reading experience.

In recognition of the 50th anniversary of NASA, Tom Wolfe's *The Right Stuff* has been selected as this fall's book. The Chicago Public Library has an online resource guide at http://www.chipublib.org/eventsprog/programs/onebook_onechgo.php, which includes a calendar of citywide events.

As part of the program, Shimer will host three events this October.

**Visiting the Astronaut's World—The Dry, Fearsome Beauty of Space
Monday, October 6, 6:00 p.m.**

Using a mix of photographs and interactive exercises, Dr. James Donovan, Professor of Natural Sciences, will give participants a taste of what astronauts experience: that celestial objects (including the earth) are majestically beautiful, while space itself is a fearsomely empty desert.

**Book Discussion—Irony as a Journalistic Device in *The Right Stuff*
Monday, October 13, 6:00 p.m.**

Barbara Stone, Professor of Humanities, will lead a discussion on "Irony as a Journalistic Device in *The Right Stuff*."

**Another Side of Tom Wolfe—*The Painted Word: From Bauhaus to our House*
Saturday, October 25, 7:00 p.m.**

Eileen Buchanan, Professor of Humanities, will direct a theatrical slide presentation on "Another Side of Tom Wolfe—The Painted Word: From Bauhaus to our House."



All programs will take place at Shimer College and are open to the public. For further information, please contact Barbara Stone at 312-235-3510 or b.stone@shimer.edu.