



# REEL TALK

## *A Film-Lover's Discussion Group . . .*

*This year is the 12th season of Reel Talk. One Friday each month offers an opportunity to get together with people who love to both watch and talk about films. Come casual and bring a snack if you like. We meet in the church library on the first floor near the Division Street entrance., but enter on Bonnie Brae. However, check for signs when you enter, since there may be a few times we meet in the Youth Room downstairs. Come early since films begin promptly at 7:00. For more information contact Grace Lutheran Church -River Forest at 708-366-6900. If you wish to be put on our e-mail list, contact Carla Jankowski at [cjankowski@comcast.net](mailto:cjankowski@comcast.net).*

September 10 – Breakfast at Tiffany's

*This classic film showcases a stunning Audrey Hepburn as a young New York socialite whose love interests usually include large bank accounts. However, she develops a friendship with a struggling writer played by George Peppard living in her apartment building. The cast includes Patricia Neal, Mickey Rooney, Martin Balsam and Buddy Ebsen. (1961)*

October 8 – **Wait Until Dark**

*A recently blinded woman is terrorized by a trio of thugs while they search for a heroin-stuffed doll they believe is in her apartment. Another great performance by Audrey Hepburn, along with Ephrem Zimbalist Jr. and a very sinister Alan Arkin. Even if you have already seen it, you will still be terrified! (1967)*

November 12 – Sweet Land

*Inge arrives in Minnesota in 1920 to marry a young Norwegian farmer named Olaf, but her German heritage and lack of official immigration papers makes her an object of suspicion in the small town, and she and Olaf are forbidden to marry. A quiet independent film with some acting faces you will recognize. (2007)*

December 10 – **Julie & Julia**  HOLIDAY DINNER *(More information will come later)*

*Julia Child's story of her start in the cooking profession is intertwined with blogger Julie Powell's 2002 challenge to cook all the recipes in Child's first book. The cast includes the incomparable Meryl Streep and Stanley Tucci. (2009)*

January 14 - **Lotcho Drom**

*This documentary follows the journey of the Romany people (better known as Gypsies) and is told through musicians and dancers of India, Egypt, Turkey, Romania, Hungary, Slovakia, France, and Spain. Subtitled in English for eight different languages. (1993)*

February 11 – Moonstruck

*We couldn't think of a better way to celebrate Valentine's Day than with this film that stars Cher and Nicholas Cage. A widowed Brooklyn book-keeper is torn between her fiancé and his brother. Supporting cast includes Vincent Gardenia, Olympia Dukakis, Danny Aiello, and Oak Park's own John Mahoney. (1987)*

March 11 – **Kolya**

*Franta Louka is a concert cellist in Soviet-occupied Czechoslovakia, a confirmed bachelor and a lady's man who marries to help a woman gain citizenship but finds himself a father in the process. The film won both the Academy Award and Golden Globe for Best foreign Film. Czech language but subtitled in English (1996)*

April 8 – **The Last Station**

*This historical drama illustrates Russian author Leo Tolstoy's struggle to balance fame and wealth with his commitment to a life devoid of material things. Christopher Plumber and Helen Mirren star as the Tolstoys. Both were nominated for Best Acting Academy Awards last year. (2010)*

May 13 – **Deliverance**

*Sidney Poitier stars as an unemployed construction worker (Homer Smith) heading out west and stops at a remote farm in the desert to get water when his car overheats. The farm is being worked by a group of East European Catholic nuns, headed by the strict mother superior, who believes that Homer has been sent by God to build a much needed church in the desert. Poitier won an Academy Award for his performance. (1963)*