



## *Jimmy Carter Library & Museum* News Release

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### **“The Lost Cyclist” at the Carter Presidential Library** *See Actual 1872 Bicycle at Free Reading & Book Signing*

**Atlanta, GA.** – Hear the fascinating story of cyclist Frank Lenz and his dream to cycle around the world in 1892. See an actual 1872 Victor C Spring fork bicycle like Lenz rode. If you are interested in cycling and history, you won't want to miss this special free author reading at the Carter Presidential Library on Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

Amazon calls David Herlihy's "The Lost Cyclist" one of the best books of the summer, saying...“Frank Lenz was a man driven by his passions. As an accomplished "wheelman" during the late 19th century, Lenz's dreams were dominated by the emerging sport of cycling and an intense desire to make a name for himself. In May of 1892, he attempted to fuse both by embarking on a quest to circumscribe the globe by bicycle. The journey had already been accomplished in tandem, but Lenz upped the ante--and raised eyebrows--by announcing he would ride his dangerous route alone. *The Lost Cyclist* is a riveting tale of tragedy, pride, and naiveté that is both brilliantly told and meticulously researched. Opinions may differ as to whether Lenz was unaware or unconcerned by the inherent dangers he faced, but the story of his fateful journey belongs on the varied shelves of cycling enthusiasts, mystery fans, and nonfiction devotees alike.”

In addition to hearing David Herlihy tell the tale of Frank Lenz, you'll be able to see an actual 1872 Victor C Spring fork bicycle like Lenz rode. This 138 year old bicycle is in wonderful condition.

ACappella Books will be selling copies of “The Lost Cyclist” and Herlihy will be signing them following his talk. If you like cycling, this will be a night to remember.

For more information, call 404-865-7109 or visit [www.jimmycarterlibrary.gov](http://www.jimmycarterlibrary.gov).