

Taconic Valley

STEPHENTOWN

Memorial Library

Children's Author Virtually Visits Berlin Elementary School

On Tuesday, May 25, the Stephentown Memorial Library treated students at the Berlin Elementary School to a virtual visit with children's author Ruth Horowitz. Ms. Horowitz has published 8 books for children, including her latest *Saving Eli's Library*. Students in PreK through 3rd grade watched a presentation given by Ms. Horowitz about the background of *Saving Eli's Library* and then listened as she read the book to them.

After reading *Saving Eli's Library*, the Pre-K, Kindergarten and 1st graders talked about libraries and what they enjoy most about them. Not only did the kids tell what they liked most, they also gave SML Library Director Kim Roppolo lots of suggestions on what would make the library a better place. Some suggestions were to have more baby dolls to play with, install a play-ground, have a time to read to the librarian, give out balloons and serve cake at the library. The 3rd and 4th grade students had lots of great questions for Ms. Horowitz. They kept her on her toes with questions about what makes a good story, where does she get her ideas from and what she likes most about being a writer.

Family Take, Make And Read Kits Available

Stop by the library and pick up a Take, Make and Read kit. The kits come with a free book and supplies to make some fun crafts. The kits are geared toward school age and young children. Supplies are limited so reserve yours today.

Tween/Teen Take, Make And Read Kits

It's the end of the school year and final exams and projects will be here soon. Feeling a bit stressed about it?? Come to the library and get a Take, Make, and Read kit which comes with a free book and stress relieving crafts. Supplies are limited so reserve yours today.

Story Time Under The Tent

Tuesday, June 8 at 10 am

Join us for a Family Story Time under the tent at SML. We will have stories and fun things to do outside with all of our old friends. We ask that those kids who are able and all adults wear masks.

Save The Date!

Summer Reading Kick Off At SML

Saturday, June 26 at 11 am

Story Teller Mary Jo Maichack will be at SML to help us begin our summer reading program. This year's theme is "Tales and Tails" and Mary Jo will be telling fun and interactive stories all about animals. We will be taking reservations for this program beginning in June.

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Memorial Day Parade And BBQ

American Legion Post #937 in Berlin will again sponsor its annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 31 at 11 am. Prior to the parade memorial services will be held at the Pleasant Valley-Meadow-lawn Cemetery in Petersburg at 9 am. Refreshments will be served after the parade at the Post building on Railroad Avenue.

The Legion is also sponsoring a Chicken BBQ from 12:30 to 2 pm. This is a take out only event. Please RSVP to Wally at 518-658-9397 or Len at 518-658-9525.

Petersburgh Library

We are hoping to get all of our programs started again soon. Please contact the library at 518-658-2927 if you are interested in any of the following groups which are scheduled: **Memoirs Group** meets every other Monday at 2 pm

Creative Writing meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm

Knitting Group meets each week on Wednesdays at 3 pm

Book Club typically meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7 pm

Storytime (volunteers needed) meets on Tuesdays at 11 am (subject to change if needed)

More information is

forthcoming about the Summer Reading Program which we will have for six weeks in July and August!

Petersburgh Memorial Picnic

The Petersburg Parks and Recreation Committee is sponsoring a Memorial Picnic on Saturday, May 29 from 1 to 5 pm at the Petersburg Town Park on Depot Road. Potluck – bring a side dish to share. Hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, chips, water and soda all provided. Cornhole, horseshoes and other activities. Bring a lawn chair and umbrella or use tables and chairs provided.

Bench Dedication In Stephentown

On Sunday, May 30, there will be a dedication of a bench at the Stephentown Veteran's Park in memory of C. Thomas MacVeigh. Mr. MacVeigh was a founding member of the Stephentown Veterans organization and was its President for 10 years. The dedication takes place at 1 pm.

Open Mic Night

The Petersburg Veterans Memorial Community Center will resume Open Mic night on Friday June 11 at 6 pm. If the weather cooperates it will be held outside in the parking lot, otherwise it will be inside. Bring a picnic supper if you wish. Chairs and tables will be available for your use or you can bring a blanket and sit on the town hall lawn. Call Dave McNally at 613-678-8918 or just show up for an opportunity to play or enjoy the music.

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Other Notes

Spring athletics are underway with Baseball, Softball and Track all being offered at modified and varsity levels. Over 100 athletes from Berlin have taken part in the competitive season so far. Berlin is one of only a handful of schools in the conference to be able to offer two levels of all sports in both fall and spring without any shutdowns.

Transportation has started their routing for the 2021-2022 school year with the hopeful return of all students to in person learning next year.

A town hall style virtual meeting to discuss the possibilities of opening on Wednesdays took place, and was said to be very productive.

The district is following mask mandates at all levels of government, however there is consistent and considerable disagreement between different groups on how to interpret the mandates and move forward. The hope is to get some definitive and final guidance by the end of the month.

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