



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ YOUR LIBRARY

Stef Leshner grew up in Mount Vernon, NY, which is a town just outside of the Bronx. She worked as a field service technician for a company that sold computer systems to doctors' offices. The capital district area was her territory. In 1991, Stef moved to Clifton Park when her company needed a field service tech in their Albany office.

Stefanie now lives in Halfmoon with her husband and family of animals. She owns her own pet-sitting business, A.C.M.E. Pet Services, LLC. You may have seen her car in the parking lot with the purple ACME bone on the side.

Tree Lighting and Holiday Party

Join the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Business and Professional Association, the Burnt Hills Fire Department, the Rotary Club, the Library, and Santa for the tree lighting ceremony on Tuesday, December 2nd, at 6:30 PM, then head over to the BH-BL High School Auditorium for the Community Concert at 7:30 PM.

Knitwits - Social knitting group for fiber fanatics of all sorts. Knitting assistance available. Third Monday of the month (unless it's a holiday) in the library community room. Next Meeting - December 15, 7-9 PM

TOWN OF BALLSTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY CHECK IT OUT!

MEET OUR STAFF - STEFANIE LESHER

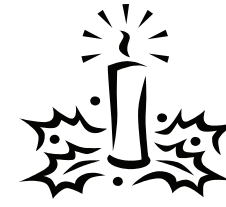
Stefanie started working at the library in April, 2007. Always an avid reader, she has not been in her car without a book on CD since she started working at the library.

Stef's favorites lately have been biographies on CD. She has been going through our entire collection. Says Stef, "One of the great things about the library is that you can try out anything. If you take something you don't enjoy you can just return it, which enables you to try out different things."

Regarding her employment at the library, Stef says "Working at the library has been great. Not only do I get to work with extraordinary people, but being able to help patrons is very rewarding."

Change in Hours for 2009

The staff and trustees of the Town of Ballston Community Library strive to meet the needs of the communities we serve. As we anticipated decreased funding from the State of NY and the Town of Charlton, along with increased costs in fuel and utilities, difficult choices had to be made. In an effort to minimize the impact on our main source of funds, the residents of the Town of Ballston, the library will be open from 10 AM to 2 PM on Saturdays in 2009. This reduces the hours the library will be open from 54 to 51 hours per week.



DECEMBER 2008

STEFANIE RECOMMENDS

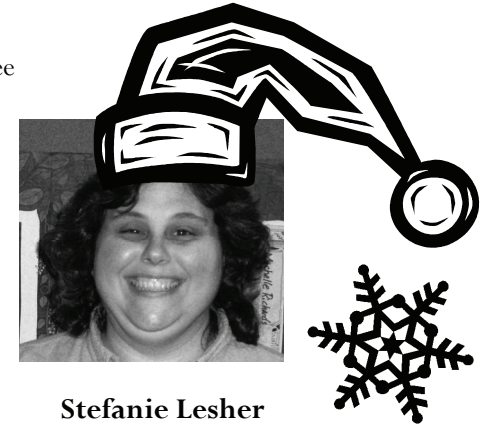
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Stefanie Leshner

FRIENDS MEETING

9 AM December 2 & 7 PM January 6th
in the Library Community Room
New Friends are always welcome

BOARD NEWS

The next library board meeting will be held on:
Wednesday, December 3, 2008
at 7 PM in the library community room.
The public is invited to attend.

TOWN OF BALLSTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

2 Lawmar Lane
Burnt Hills, NY 12027

Phone: 518-399-8174
Fax: 518-399-1687

Closings

The Library will be closed:
December 24th & 25th

January 1, 2009

The library will close at 3 PM
on December 31st.

TOWN OF BALLSTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

VISIT US ONLINE

HTTP://CATALOG.SALS.EDU
HTTP://TOBLIBRARY.SALS.EDU
E-MAIL: KDEANGELO@SALS.EDU
HTTP://TOBY.SALS.EDU
E-MAIL: RDARLING@SALS.EDU

Library Hours

Monday -Thursday 10 AM - 8 PM
Friday - Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM
Closed Sunday

NO
DIS
PLAY

In the Display Case

La-Di-Dolls

by Phyllis Scaringe

In the Children's Room

Little House on the Prairie

By the Brower Family

In the Community Room

Oakroom Artists

BOOK

DIS
PLAYS

Downstairs

Home-Made Holidays

Children's Room

Happy Holidays

Teen Space

Fall into Fairy Tales

The Book Club
is reading:

The Memory of Water

by Karen White



Library Programs December 1-20, 2008 (No Programs December 21- January 4)

Toddler Time - Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 10:30 AM. We'll use books, music, finger plays & the felt board to develop literacy skills while having fun, then stay and play! For kids three and under and their caregivers.

Preschool Story Time - Every Monday at 6:30 PM, Wednesday at 1:00 PM & Thursday at 10:30 AM. Books, songs, finger plays and a craft for 3 - 6 year-olds and their caregivers, followed by playtime!

Music with Miss Mona - Every Tuesday at 10:30 AM. A family sing-along aimed at the 3-6 year-old child, followed by playtime.

Wii Have Fun Together - Fun for the whole family to do together. Try out the library's Wii (generously purchased by the Friends of the Library) or play a board game.

Thursday Evenings at the library 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Story Crafting - A Read-a-loud with a longer picture book (or 2), followed by related crafts and activities. December 18th, 4:00-5:00 PM. Grades K-3 (gingerbread)

4th & 5th Grade Book Club - A book club for kids who love to read! We'll talk about great books, choose what the book club will read and, of course, have snacks! We will meet on December 18th, from 4:00-5:00 PM.

Holiday & Winter Crafts

3 Saturdays, December 6, 13, & 20
from 10 AM - 12 Noon

in the Library Community Room

Saturday, December 6th program will include a Holiday Sing- Along with Miss Mona at 10:30. Snacks provided by the Friends of the Town of Ballston Community Library.

Outlook & Opportunities Luncheon

with Chris Nyhan of Edward Jones Investments. This is the first of a series of programs on the current economic outlook and the importance of maintaining a long term investment strategy. Future programs are planned for February 6 & 7, 2009 (same program both days) and April 3 & 4, 2009 (same program both days).

The same program will be held on both
Friday, December 5th at 11:30 AM,
and Saturday, December 6th at 12:30 PM

Free & Open to the public but registration is requested by calling Susan Martinez at Edward Jones Investments at 399-5087.

Vinyasa Flow Yoga with Karen Muller.
Tuesdays in January (6, 13, 20, & 27) at 2:30 PM.
Great for teens and adults of all ages. Free

Children's Programs Resume January 5, 2009