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From The Director's Desk

Are you ready for Spring? I hope so because we are! The Port Jervis Free Library has so many events planned for this Spring, we hope you will join us.

First, we want to inform the community that we are dedicating the Children's Room to former Children's Librarian Henrietta R. Towne, there will be a reception on Saturday March 25, 2023 from 1 to 3pm. Join us to honor Ms. Towne by sharing your stories and memories of her. There will be live music and refreshments served.

Other exciting programs we will be hosting are our Tea Tastings have returned in person, Storytime for children under 5, monthly book discussions for adults, teens, and our new Kids Comic book discussions. The Port Jervis Free Library will be adding a Library of Things to our collection this year. This will include family board games, Adventure Kits, Spice Library, Seed Library, and much more. Check our website portjervislibrary.org often, we are adding events constantly.

See you at the Library!

With much gratitude,

Evelyn Rogers, Library Director

Library Hours

Mon	10 AM–9 PM
Tues	10 AM–9 PM
Wed	10 AM–6 pM
Thurs	10 AM–9 PM
Fri	10 AM–6 PM
Sat	10 AM–5 PM
Sun	Closed

Important Dates

Library closed

Memorial Day

In the event of inclement weather, please call the library or check our Facebook page.

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NEW ARRIVALS

- **Poo-Dunit?** by Katelyn Aronson (Ill. Stephanie Laberis)
- **Sour Cakes** by Karen Krossing (Ill. Anna Kwan)
- **The Ghoul of Windydown Vale** by Jake Burt
- **Wildoak** by C.C. Harrington
- **Bunnacula** by James Howe & Andrew Donkin (Ill. Stephen Gilpin)
- **Seance Tea Party** by Reimena Yee
- **Promise Boys** by Nick Brooks
- **Seven Faceless Saints** by M.K. Lobb

“The fact that we are here and that I speak these words is an attempt to break that silence and bridge some of those differences between us, for it is not difference which immobilizes us, but silence. And there are so many silences to be broken.”

Audre Lorde

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DIGITAL NAVIGATION



Free support for your tech needs. Contact 845-856-7313 and ask for Digital Navigator.

The Port Jervis Free Library invites you to the
Dedication and Renaming of the

HENRIETTA R. TOWNE CHILDREN'S ROOM



Join us in celebrating her life and the
impact she had on our library community.

Share your stories!

MARCH 25TH

RECEPTION 1PM-3PM

Portjervislibrary.org
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HOW TO GET A LIBRARY CARD



Library Cards are available to permanent residents of the Port Jervis School District.

Bring in your proof of address and picture ID (i.e. Utility bill, driver's license) to receive your library card.

With your library card, you can check out books, magazines, DVDs and CDs, access the several library databases, download audiobooks and ebooks, and so much more!

For children 5-17 years old, child must live in the Port Jervis School District, must be accompanied by parent or legal guardian with ID mentioned above. Parental permission is required for children to use the Internet. Children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult when in the library.

LIBRARY SERVICES AVAILABLE

The Port Jervis Free Library offers outgoing fax services at \$1.00 per page, copies; .20 for b&w, .50 color, computer use and printing, scanning, and 8GB Flash Drives for sale at \$5.00.

As many of the back issues of local and historical papers are no longer available, we have them on microfilm, as well as local obituaries going back over 100 years. Our local history room is a fantastic resource to help you with all of your genealogical research needs.

The Port Jervis Free Library is a member of the Ramapo Catskill Library System.



PROGRAMS



Kid's Comic Club

New program for tweens. Come read comics and graphic novels for ages 9 to 13 every 3rd Saturday. Contact the library for more information.

Story Time

Wednesday Storytimes introduce early literacy concepts for children to help them get ready to read. Highly interactive environment.

10:30 Ages 0-5

Check library website for specific times and

dates.

Maker Mondays

Mondays in the children's room. Crafts for all ages, all day. Mix it up and try something new at the Library. Craft supplies provided for fiber arts, mixed-media, paper and jewelry projects. All ages welcome. Come on down and make some holiday crafts that can turn into wonderful gifts for family and friends.

Fiber Arts

Thursdays, 10:30-12:30 in the Community Room

Do you knit, crochet or engage in other similar activities? If you're new to it, and would benefit from a group setting, come to our monthly meeting. Participants should bring their own supplies. All abilities welcome.

Programs updated daily. Please check website for up to date information about upcoming programs.



We need you, as a member of the community, to help make an impact. Please join us in making a difference for the Port Jervis area.

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation. Every level of support is appreciated. Various levels of support are available, including

\$5 Booster

\$10 Active Membership

\$15 Donor

\$25 Business/Organization

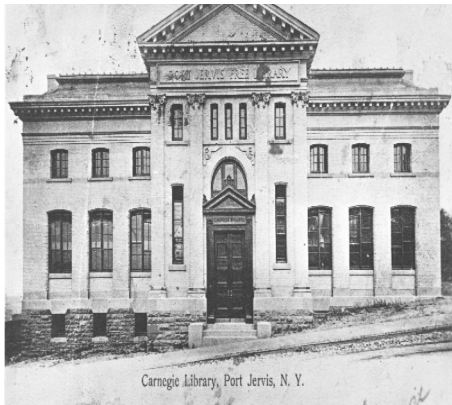
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Minisink Valley Historical Society (MVHS) organized in 1889. We house a collection of early documents, photographs and genealogies relating to the Minisink Valley Area. The area we cover encompasses parts of Orange County, New York, Sussex County, New Jersey and Pike County, Pennsylvania.

Archive access remains limited during COVID access restrictions of the Port Jervis Library. The society's archives would normally open on Thursday from 1:00pm to 4:00pm or by appointment during regular library hours. We are located on the second floor of the Port Jervis Free Library.

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