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ANNUAL ONLINE AUCTION

The Annual Online Auction is almost over. But it's not too late! The auction will run until Dec 9. If you've never participated in an online auction, there will be volunteers at the library to instruct you on how to place your bids. It's easy, it's fun and you'll be surprised at some of the great buys you'll find.

The Auction takes place on biddingowl.com

Call the library for more information: 716-736-3913

CHRISTMAS IN RIPLEY AT THE LIBRARY

DECEMBER 9, 9AM-4PM

Come shop at the Annual Craft/Vendor Fair at the library! And while you're shopping, pick up some homemade goodies, fresh from the library elves' kitchens. The library will also have Walking Tacos for sale when you get hungry carrying all those packages!



Library Board Meeting Wednesday, December 27th @ 6:30pm
Best Friends Fund Meeting Wednesday, December 6th @ 6:30pm
& Saturday, December 16th @ 12:30pm
PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMES & DATES FOR BFF!

RIPLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY'S

HOLIDAY CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR



**Saturday
Dec 9th
9AM - 4PM**



OUR VENDORS (so far):

Peg Blair: Handmade Crochet/Sewing
Sue Bova: Diamond Art, Trains, Music
Kiona Callahan: Diamond Painting
Audrey Caulder: Paparazzi Jewelry
Rusty/Lori Fisher: Wood Crafts
Joan Fletcher: Color Street & Crochet
Wendy Graham: Fudge
Kelly Halvonik: Painting
Jessica Kondrick: Etched Glass, Cricut
Vanetia Wion: Sublimation Shirts, etc.

**WE HAVE A FEW TABLES LEFT!
CALL 716-736-3913**

64 West Main St in Ripley, NY



CHRISTMAS IN RIPLEY

DECEMBER 9, 2023

THANK YOU TO PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES

Meeder's pancake breakfast 6-11

Noah's Ark open 10-12

Ripley Public Library Craft/Vendor Fair 10-4

Lakeside Golf Course Decorate Golf Ball Ornaments 11-4

Meeder's chicken BBQ 11:30-gone

Santa Parade through town, line up 12:15, Parade 12:30

Visit with Santa at firehall 1-4, 3-4 with pets

Pictures with Santa & Mrs Claus at the firehall 1-4

Let There Be Light Band, Presbyterian church 2-4

Main Street Pizza cookie fun 12-4

Cooney Island Ice Cream open 2-8

THANK YOU TO DONORS FOR VISIT WITH SANTA

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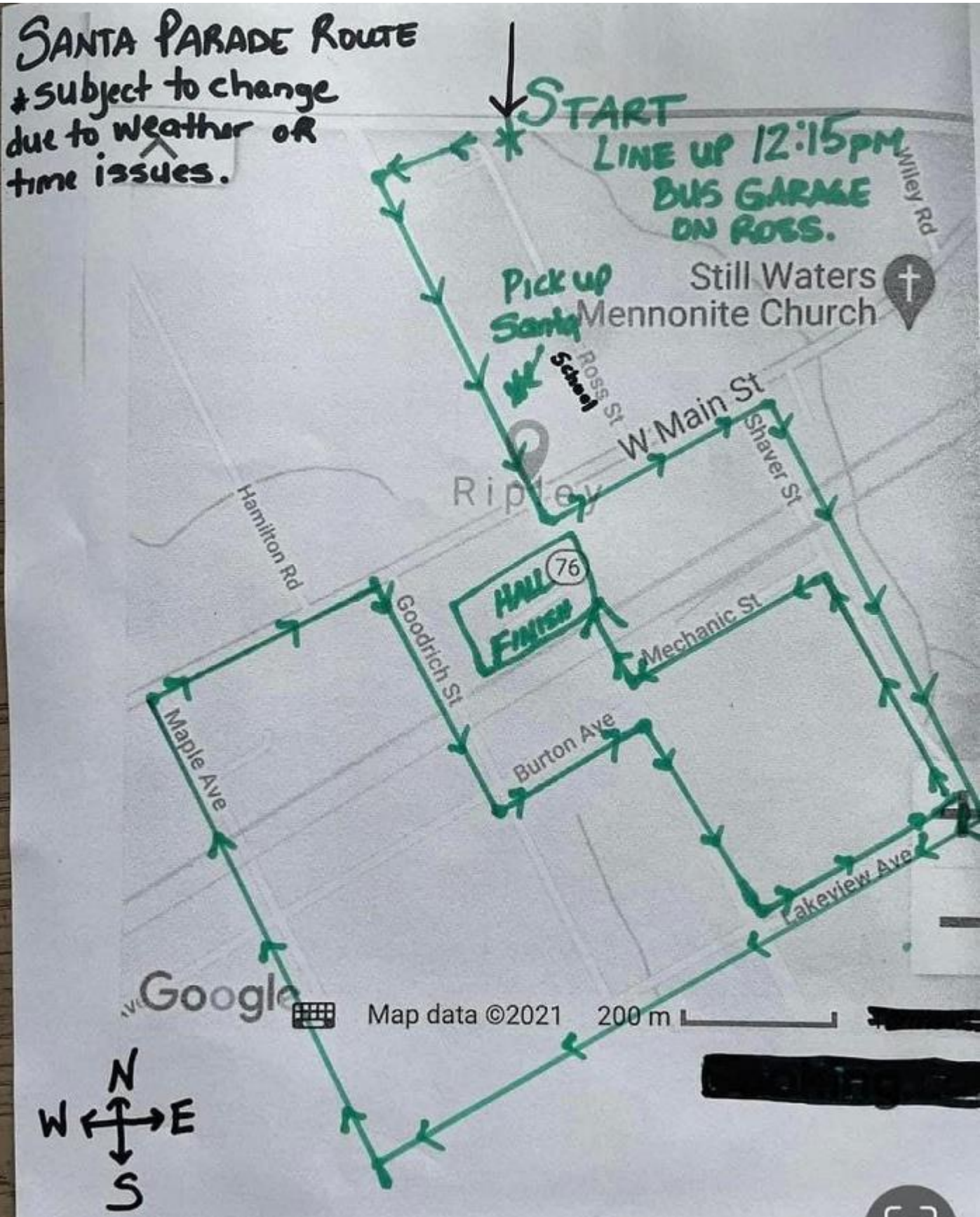
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Karen Mooney Crouch and family

Debbie Hughes for making hats and scarves

Ripley Library Knitting Group for making hats

Santa Parade Route, December 9, 2023



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RIPLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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**GAS FIRE PIT
DRAWING**

DECEMBER 9TH

**\$5.00 A TICKET OR
3 FOR \$10.00**



The library is all decked out for Christmas! As always, Stephanie has done an awesome job of putting little signs of the season throughout the library. We can't wait for you to stop by and take a look!

The kids from Ripley Central School will once again be decorating a class tree here at the library on December 8th. Last year's trees were wonderful. Thanks to the teachers and staff for making this possible!



Among Friends

It was great to see some new faces at our last meeting! We hope you continue to be active members.

The Online Auction (through December 9th) and the upcoming Craft/Vendor Fair (December 9th) were discussed. Help bidding on the Online Auction items is available at the library for those who are new to it. Let's make this an even more successful auction! This is one of our best fund raising events.

For those of you who are bringing baked goods on the 9th for the Craft/Vendor Fair, please bring them to the library on Friday the 8th, to be packaged, or if already packaged, on Saturday.

Many thanks to you all for helping make this not only a good library, but a GREAT library!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



Noble Book Club

Please call the library, 716-736-3913 for new time and place.



Come join us and wine a bit...

Nutrition with Molly

Thursday, December 7 @ 11am

Tuesday, December 19 @ 6pm

Molly Harvey, a SNAP-ED Nutritionist from the Cornell Co-Op Extension, visits the Ripley library twice a month to share recipes that are not only yummy, but healthy and inexpensive.



Writer's Group
Mondays @ 1pm

Knitting & Crocheting
Tuesdays noon-3:30pm

Sewing Group
Thursdays noon-3pm

Noble Book Club

DIY Story Time
New craft the 1st of the month

Exercise Class
M-W-F @ 10:30am
Th @ 6pm

Ripley Writer's Group

Mondays @ 1pm



*Hold in your hands the book
in your heart.*

Come join us!

Knitting & Crochet Group meets
Tuesdays, noon until 3:30. All levels
welcome.



Sewing Group meets Thursdays,
noon until 3p.m.

Quilters and sewers of all
levels are welcome.



Noble Book Club



New time and place. Please
call the library at 716-736-
3913 for details.

DIY Story Time

Each month a new story and Do-It-Yourself craft will be available for parents to do with their child.

Arm Chair Exercises Are Back!

Join us for chair exercises, dancing, all kinds of movement!

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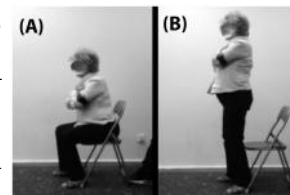
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Exercise Classes are Back!

Thanks to the generosity of many people, a new television has been purchased for the library. As a result, low-impact armchair exercises will meet again on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 10:30am and Thursdays at 6pm. For those who want a more strenuous workout, additional exercise videos will be available.



DIY STORYTIME

Ripley Library has come up with a new way to entertain your children. Every month the library will have special children's books on display along with a craft they can make. These books and crafts will be available to read and assemble in the library, or you can take them home and do it at your leisure.



Bottle and Can Collection



The Library has a collection bin in the lobby for returnable cans and bottles. Don't throw out those water bottles and pop cans! Donate them to the library.

Please be sure all bottles and cans are empty before you place them in the bin.



Diamond Art on Tuesdays

from 4:30 til close.



Spend some "me-time" with friends on Tuesday evenings doing Diamond Art projects. Trial size available for free. After that, purchase the kits you like.

Library Cards—Your Passport to Adventure

If you need a library card, come see us and we will help get you into the IN crowd.

Welcome to a world of adventure!





Ripley Public Library

Rag Wreath Craft

December 2nd @ 10:00

Space is limited

Please call the library to
reserve your
spot.

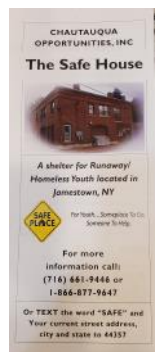
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Class is FULL

Ripley Public Library Has Become a Safe Place Location

What is a Safe Place Location, you might ask. A Safe Place works with the Safe House out of Jamestown and is part of Chautauqua Opportunities, Inc. This is a program for runaway or homeless youth under the age of 18. If this youth needs help, all they do is enter the facility displaying the yellow sign that reads SAFE PLACE. They let someone in charge know they need help. The person in charge will contact the Safe Place Agency and someone will come out. This counselor will talk with the youth, provide shelter and transportation if necessary.

Stop into the Library for more information or pick up a brochure.



Community Table

The Ripley Public Library welcomes community groups who would like to set up a table in our lobby to promote their business or group. Examples: VFW Poppy sales, Girl Scout cookie sales, as well as distribution of pamphlets or information about your group or activity. The library staff will not be responsible for the manning of these tables, and the table cannot

be left unattended. A representative for the table must be present for items to be displayed.

Reservations must be made to establish specific dates and times. There is no cost, it's just our way of giving back to the community. 716-736-3913



Ripley Library is looking for Local Authors

Ripley Library is looking for local authors who would like to join us for our Local Author's night. We invite published (including self-published) writers to come and speak to our audience, telling us a little bit about yourself and your book. This is generally followed by a Q&A period and a book signing. Call the library now and we'll set up a date. 716-736-3913

Wanted:

Lego pieces and Lego sets

We will gladly accept any used or new Lego items to add to our collection. Please drop them off at the library. Thank you.



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Be a Library Supporter!

Would you like to show your support for the Ripley Public Library in a tangible way? A \$5 per month donation will give you space for a personal message or business card in The Bookworm, letting people know you are helping to make our library great!

You can scan a business card or write a message and send it to:

thebookworm14775@gmail.com and checks can be made to Ripley Public Library, P.O. Box 808, Ripley, NY 14775. Call the library at 716-736-3913 to arrange drop off.

New Book List for December 2023

ADULT FICTION

Ansbacher/Ayuni
Aththerton/Aunt Dimity & the Enchanted Cottage
Austin/The Wish Book Christmas
Balson/Saving Sophie
Clipston/An Amish Quilting Bee
Cole/Home for Christmas
Fisher/Anything but Plain
Gary/A Cat Café Christmas
George/The Light Among Us
Goldis/When We Were Young
Hale/The Christmas Letters
Hoffman/Invisible Hour
Hoover/Maybe Not
Johnson/The White Hare
Jones/The Salt Line
Kelly/The Lost English Girl
Macomber/Dear Santa
McFadden/The Ex
Midwood/The Girl Who Survived
Pennington/Cassandra Files
Steel/Happiness
Steele/The School Teacher of Saint-Michel
Thayer/Let it Snow
Weinberg/The Truants
Wolff/All of a Sudden

NONFICTION

Caruso/True or Poo? The Definitive Field Guide to Filthy Animal Facts and Falsehoods
Gooley/The Secret World of Weather
Green/Christmas Miscellany
Klynstra/Christmas Baking
O'Brady/The Impossible First
Seely/Skinny House

YOUNG ADULT

Baker/The Scarlet Alchemist
Gendry-Kim/The Naked Tree
Maniscalco/Escaping from Houdini
Mara/The Lightstruck

JUNIOR BOOKS

Korman/Restart
Perkovich/The Hero Next Door
Roman/Grady Whill and the Templeton Codex
Sienkiewicz/ Santa: My Life and Times
Who Was Series:
Who was Christopher Columbus?
Who was Ferdinand Magellan?
Who was Jackie Robinson?
Who was Nellie Bly?
Who was Henry VIII?

EASY READERS

Jablonski/It's just skin, silly!
Kessler/That's Not Santa!
Nelson/The Night Sky
Robertson/The Song That Called Them Home
West/Today, I Feel Sad
Today, I Feel Anxious
Today, I Feel Angry

MOVIES

Alexander
The Heat
Syriana
Troy



Best Friends of the Ripley Public Library

We Need Your Help!

Ripley Library's BFF group (Best Friends Fund) is looking for more members to join us to help with fundraising and program support for our library.

Dues are just \$5 per year. All we ask is that you attend monthly meetings as often as you can, and occasionally help with fundraising events. Funds raised by BFF are used for library equipment and supplies, upgrades, etc.

There are many things to be proud of in Ripley, and our beautiful library is one of those things. Please call 716-736-3913 for more information.

Best Friends of the Ripley Public Library

Ripley Library Best Friends Fund Application

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town/ZIP: _____

Phone Number: (Home) _____ Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

Dues are \$5 annually in January

Print this portion and return it to the library, or pick up a form at the library desk.

Ripley Public Library Mission Statement

The mission of the Ripley Public Library is to promote life-long learning for all community residents, providing unrestricted free access to all printed and recorded material from its own collection as well as that of the Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System. The Library will endeavor to create a community center that provides so much more than information for all of those who ask questions and seek answers.

BEST FRIENDS

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Notes & Things

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Billy Connolly

Scottish actor, comedian, artist, writer, musician

Join a Board Meeting

Ripley Public Library Board of Trustees meetings are open to the public. Check the schedule in The Bookworm for times and dates.

New Activities & Classes

Is there an activity or class you’d like to see offered at the library? Can you teach a class or give a talk about a topic? Let the library know if there is something new you’d like to add to the many programs and classes already offered. 716-736-3913

Ripley Public Library Board of Directors Meetings for 2023



Dec 20 @ 6pm

Meetings are open to the public, in person or via Zoom, and will be held at 6:30 p.m. Dates and times subject to change.

Ripley Public Library is Open for Business

Mon. Wed. Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Tue. Thu. 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
Sat. 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Please note: all letters and/or emails to the Library and staff **MUST** be signed. Those without a signature will not be recognized. Names will be omitted, to protect privacy, if published.

December 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Online Auction; Exercise 9:30	2 Online Auction
3 Noble Book Club 1pm	4 Online Auction; Exercise 9:30; Writers 1	5 Online Auction; Knitting noon; Diamond Art 4:30	6 Online Auction; Exercise 9:30	7 Online Auction; Nutrition w/Molly 11; Sewing noon; Exercise 6	8 Online Auction; Exercise 9:30; School kids decorate trees	9 Online Auction Ends; Craft Vendor Fair 9-4
10	11 Exercise 9:30; Writers 1	12 Knitting noon; Diamond Art 4:30	13 Exercise 9:30	14 Sewing noon; Exercise 6	15 Exercise 9:30	16
17	18 Exercise 9:30; Writers 1	19 Knitting noon; Diamond Art 4:30; Nutrition w/Molly 6	20 Exercise 9:30	21 Sewing noon; Exercise 6	22 Exercise 9:30	23
24	25 CHRISTMAS DAY—CLOSED	26	27 Library Board Mtg 6:30	28	29	30
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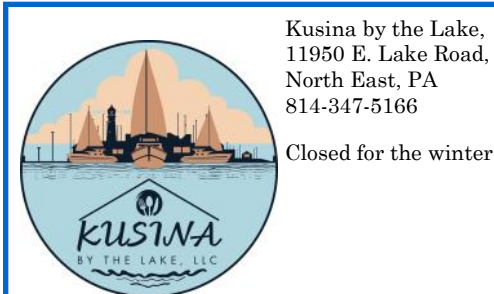
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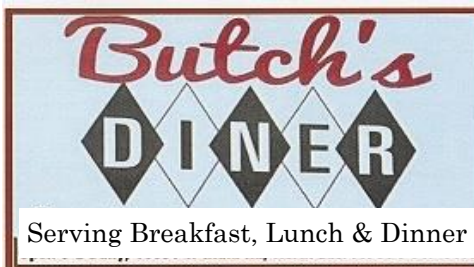
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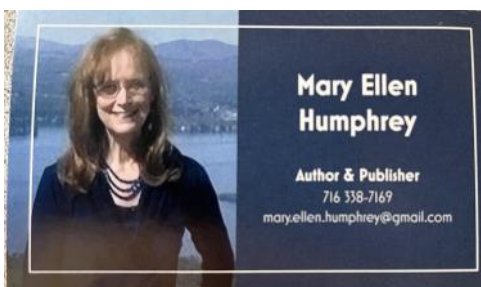
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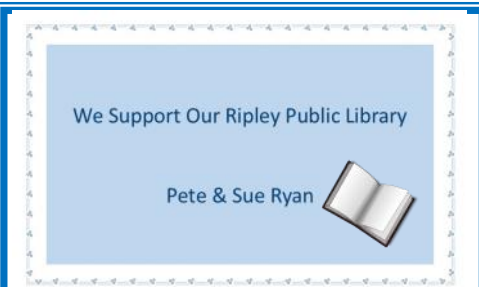
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