

# NEWS and NOTES from the HASTON LIBRARY

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## MARCH PROGRAMS & EVENTS



- We had a great turnout at Story Time on Friday, March 1st! Perhaps it had something to do with the fact that it was held during school vacation, but be that as it may, it was wonderful to see all the kiddos and their wranglers, and Mr. Josh and Miss Sierra had lots of fun singing songs, reading stories, and doing crafts with the assembled throng.
- The board and staff would like to thank everyone for the support we received on Town Meeting Day, including all the delicious food that was prepared for the luncheon, and the many monetary donations that were given to help further our mission. It's really wonderful to serve such a great community, and to be supported by it in return!
- On Thursday, March 7th, we hosted Laura Need from Age Well at the library, and she had a number of patrons come in to talk to her about the services that Age Well offers. This is the second year that we've had Laura come to the Haston, and we hope that she'll return at some point in the future!

- The Franklin Recreation Department reached out to us to participate in their Winter Carnival, and we decided that there was \*snow\* way we were going to miss that opportunity! Unfortunately, there was a decided lack of the white stuff on the ground on Saturday, March 9th, but we all had a great time in the school gym anyway! Friend of the library Miss Michelle showed a group of kids how to make “snow dough,” which was both messy and a lot of fun to play around with. Director Worman entered his beefy Guinness chili in the chowder & chili contest, but sadly, his delicious entry (which really was the best, objectively speaking) did not win. Oh well, maybe next time!



- The first meeting of the Crossroads Book Club occurred on Tuesday, March 19th, when Connie Russell brought five young book lovers over to the library from Franklin Central School. The group is reading Ice Dogs, which is an exciting Alaskan adventure involving a young girl and her beloved sled dogs. The group will be meeting at the library on Tuesday afternoons during the spring semester.
- And finally, our star-gazing pal Carrie Cruz, aka The Planetarium Lady, returned to the Town Hall on Thursday, March 28th with two sessions of her Solar Eclipse Experience. We had twenty people attend altogether, and the reviews were out of this world!

# SOLAR ECLIPSE EVENT

Solar Eclipse Viewing Party  
April 8 | 2-4pm | Rec Fields  
Park in school parking lot

- Popcorn and Cotton Candy for sale
- Games and Photo Booth



Hosted by the Franklin Rec Dept and the Haston Library

So, you may have heard about this solar eclipse that's happening on Monday, April 8th... We're hoping that the ravaging, eclipse-loving hordes don't lay waste to the pristine hills and valleys of our beloved Franklin. You may want to just stay at home and safely view the moon getting in the sun's way with your free glasses from the library, but if you feel like venturing forth, you can join us at the athletic fields behind Franklin Central School.

## SIBER SLED PUPPIES ARE COMING!



As you may have heard, one of the Siber Sled Dogs had a litter of puppies recently. On Saturday, April 13th at 10:30 AM, they're coming to the Town Hall! Make sure to call or email the library to reserve a spot, because this program will be limited to around 30 people due to the possibility of Cuteness Overload.

# FRANKLIN COMMUNITY VOICES

Please join us on Thursday, April 18th from 6:30 to 9:00 PM at the Town Hall for the next round of Franklin Community Voices! The first meeting was a resounding success, with lots of great conversations and ideas put forth about the future of Franklin. Vote for what you think is important, and have a say in the development of our community!



**Help shape the future of Franklin!!**  
This session will build on ideas, challenges, and opportunities shared by community members at forums in March. Come to:

- ✓ Review Action Items
- ✓ Discuss What's Most Important
- ✓ VOTE for Community Priorities

**Everyone is welcome!**



- Can't Join In Person?** Find the link to join by Zoom here: <https://bit.ly/FranklinVoices>.
- Childcare** will be provided.
- Transportation and Accessibility** assistance available by request. Contact 802-222-6896



The Franklin Community Voices Community Visit process is produced by the Vermont Council on Rural Development (VCRD). The Community Visit program is a way for towns to engage residents, set common goals and directions in a neutral and facilitated structure, and access resources that will help them take action on those goals. VCRD is a non-profit organization supporting the locally-defined progress of Vermont's rural communities. Learn more at [vtural.org/programs/community-visits](http://vtural.org/programs/community-visits) or contact Alyssa at 802-222-6896 or [alyssa@vtural.org](mailto:alyssa@vtural.org).  
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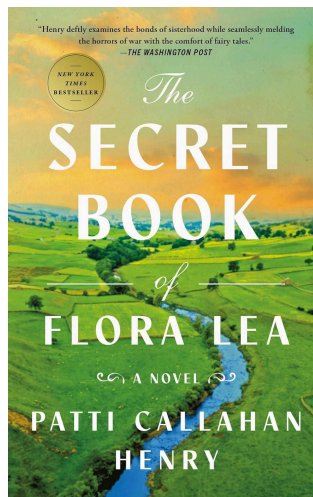
# EARTH DAY STORY TIME





Bring the children to the library on Saturday, April 20th at 10:30 for our Earth Day Story Time! Miss Sierra and Mr. Josh will read stories, sing songs, do crafts and snick snacks with the kiddos as we celebrate Mother Earth and learn how we all can treat her with more love and respect.

## **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**



This month, the Haston Library's book group will be meeting at the library on Thursday, April 25th at 2:30 PM to discuss The Secret Book of Flora Lea, by Patti Callahan Henry. Contact the library to reserve a copy of the book if you'd like to participate.

**CHECK OUR WEBSITE AND "LIKE" US ON FACEBOOK  
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND UPDATES!**

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