

Revere Reveries

Paul Revere Village Web Newsletter



February 2006 - reaching most PRVA members -

PRVA Bookclub

The PRVA bookclub met at Ellen's in January.

"The book club met at my house at 7PM to discuss the book "Memoirs of a Geisha". Kay Mushrow of 7 Concord joined our group. As it so happens, she lived in Japan for 2 years, and will be returning for a vacation within the next couple of months, so she had lots of insight to offer. She brought some Japanese books of everything from how to wear Kimono to "tourist guides" with maps showing where the cities/towns were in Japan. It was a very interesting evening. Kay has graciously offered to host the next meeting on February 16th where we will discuss the book "The Camel Club" by David Baldacci. Please pass this on to anyone who I may have missed or may be interested!"

Ellen J. Mushlin ejmushlin@charter.net

If you would like to join the PRVA bookclub, contact Ellen.

Board Meetings, Minutes, Financials

Financials [are posted here](#). Financials are updated through November 2005. Don't know the password? Email [me](#) or the [board](#). Minutes for December are [posted here](#).

Board Meetings are normally scheduled for the 1st Monday of each month, at 3 Lexington, 6:00p.m. [Please email the board](#), or let them know another way, if you are going to attend. If you have concerns and want direct answers, this is the best way...attend and ask.

Newspaper collection day is Wed. Feb 8

Brian Burns has resigned as our PRVA treasurer- he and his wife are expecting a baby in May and are moving to Worcester.

Shoshana Mule, 1 Meetinghouse Lane, has been elected to the treasurer's position, and is also expecting a baby the first week in Feb. Welcome Shoshana!

Happy Groundhog Day and Valentine's Day

February second is noted on most calendars as the day when Punxsutawney Phil and other groundhogs make an appearance to see his shadow and to declare whether winter will continue for six more weeks or in the event of a cloudy day, an early Spring if the sun allows his shadow to appear. While we in New England often call these critters, "woodchucks", this tradition was established in Pennsylvania by German immigrants who brought it from Europe. This may have begun from an old German saying,

"For as the sun shines on Candle Mass Day, So far will the snow swirl on until May."

This tradition is also celebrated in England as well and it is the badger that is observed for prediction of the length of winter. Some authorities list the 'bear' as the symbolic animal in early German kingdoms. In medieval Christian Europe, this day was celebrated commonly as Candle Mass Day, assigned to honor the Virgin Mary's purification after the birth of Christ in the Jewish custom. For the agrarian societies, it is half way between the shortest day of the year and the Spring equinox, and half of the hay would be spent by this date.

[Read the rest of what our Ole Woodsman has to say about February right here..](#)



Free Stampin UP Class

Saturday, 2/25, 11a.m.

Free STAMPIN' UP class at #47 Lexington.. "Chocolate & Stamping." Make a card to use and impress your friends! Creative talent NOT required. Take a break from the daily grind and relax. Bring a friend! Call or email Rebecca,

508-865-4730 or msbedelia@aol.com.

Embracing a Life Choice

(An article I wrote that might be of interest)

"I'm reveling in my naiveté! I am embracing the choices I make and surprised at the pleasure they bring. Never, ever, did I imagine I would enjoy getting off the 'beaten' track in search of photographic compositions! It has changed my whole world. At 50 something, I feel like a little child again... I am amazed...and just as I was beginning to think there wasn't much else to get excited about." [Read the rest here.](#)

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