Albany City Area Reading Council, Iroquois Reading Council, Schoharie Reading Council
and The Children’s Literature Connection invite you to

Why Read? Making the Case for Passionate Reading

Dr. Shelley Stagg Peterson, IRA board member and Professor of Literacy, University of Toronto

Steven Sheinkin, author of *The Notorious Benedict Arnold* and National Book Award Finalist *Bomb*

Matthew McElligott, author and illustrator of *Even Aliens Need Snacks* and more

Guest speakers will address the need for passionate reading in our standardized times and help teachers, librarians, and authors inspire a new generation of readers.

**Monday, March 11, 2013**

**The Century House**

**997 New Loudon Road, Latham, NY 12110**

4:00-8:00 p.m.

Bring the theme of “Why Read?” to your classroom and library. Ask your readers to make a picture, bookmark, or write an essay describing why they read. Guests on March 11 who bring student work to show others will be entered in a drawing for special prizes! Visit our website: [http://acarc.wordpress.com/why-read/](http://acarc.wordpress.com/why-read/) for suggestions or create your own activity. We look forward to seeing your creations.

Questions: [acarcny@gmail.com](mailto:acarcny@gmail.com) or your local membership chair. Professional development certificates will be provided as well as door prizes for all. Join us for a great evening of literary conversation.

Reservations are required by March 1 so please reserve your spot today by returning the form with payment to: Susan Moose, ACARC Membership chair, PO Box 420, Stillwater, NY 12170.

Name:
Email address to send confirmation:

Member of (circle one)
ACARC  IRC  SRC  CLC
OR guest of member (provide member’s name):
OR Nonmember

Member rate is $32.50. Members can invite guests at the member rate. Nonmember rate is $40.

Menu Choice (circle one)

**Applewood-Grilled Chicken**
Chicken breast grilled over seasoned orchard applewood. Topped with a mushroom spinach cream sauce

**Grilled Fillet Of Salmon**
In a lemon dill buerre blanc

**Rigatoni Oreganato**
Tossed with extra virgin olive oil, white wine, whole plum tomatoes and oregano