

Spirit of America's Story



The Spirit of America's Story, The Wall is a Traveling Exhibit Commemorating Our Country's Fight for Freedom from 1775 to Present Day

“The Wall is a richly illustrated visual story of America’s struggles for freedom, a visual walk through our countries history and our fight to be free. Our goal is to capture and preserve the spirit, the sacrifices and rich history of the American people. We do this by honoring those men and women in uniformed service who have and are currently serving and protecting our way of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness both here and abroad.”

The Spirit of America’s Story “is a volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to honor and educate about the immeasurable sacrifices individuals have made in the name of freedom. This wall, unlike other memorials teaches through a pictorial time line, covering the past 230 years. The wall is displayed and accompanied by the originators that presented this wall to the public in an informative and interactive Q&A session.” (Quotations excerpted from www.spiritofamericasstory.com/)

HOST: **RIDGEWOOD AMERICAN LEGION POST #53**
P.O. BOX 1525 RIDGEWOOD, NJ 07450

WHEN: **NOVEMBER 12, 2018 THROUGH NOVEMBER 18, 2018**
MONDAY THRU SATURDAY, 10:00 A.M. TO 8:30 P.M.
SUNDAY, 1:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

WHERE: BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
155 LINWOOD AVE, RIDGEWOOD, NJ 07450
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COST: **FREE** TO ALL ATTENDEES



Frequently Asked Questions – FAQs

Is there a need to get tickets in advance to attend? There are no advance tickets necessary. Anyone may attend at any time during open hours **free of charge**. Groups (school classes, organizations) may request a guided one-hour visit that **does need** to be scheduled in advance.

Does a Group Visit require advanced scheduling? No, only groups wishing to receive a “guided” visit need to schedule in advance. Those groups not scheduled **may receive guidance** if available, but there is no guarantee.

When are Group Visits available? Groups may attend during open hours Monday 11/12/18 thru Saturday 11/17/18 between the hours of 10:00 AM until closing at 8:30 PM.

How does a school class or other group schedule a “guided” visit? Groups may schedule a one-hour guided visit on a “first come, first served” basis by sending an email request to:

AmericaSpiritTheWall@gmail.com

Please include group name, date and time requested and number attending.

Are there associated activities or lesson plans available? Yes, there is a generic lesson plan attached that may be freely used, modified and shared for grades 5-12. Copies will also be available on site. Additionally, there will be guest speakers each night Monday – Friday at 7 PM speaking on a variety of associated historical topics followed by Q&As and discussion.

Lesson Plan – “The Spirit of America’s Story”

NJCCCS 6.1 U.S. History: America in the World: All students will acquire the knowledge and skills to think analytically about how past and present interactions of people, cultures, and the environment shape the American heritage. Such knowledge and skills enable students to make informed decisions that reflect fundamental rights and core democratic values as productive citizens in local, national, and global communities

Student Directions:

As you visit and view “*The Spirit of America’s Story*” identify on the spaces below three (3) items on *The Wall* that you found most (interesting, inspiring, evocative, your choice, etc.) and why?

Write a critical analysis – a critique of the overall presentation. What was it? What did you think of it (positive and/or negative)? What was your favorite part of the display - least favorite part? Was there anything missing that you think should have been included? What role do the arts play in sharing our history? What part should the arts play in our history? Anything else? Be able to explain and discuss your choices.

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