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**BOOK Review** 

PIZZA + BOOKS

Your Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Date: Dec 17, 2013 TIme: 6-7 pm

-Read <u>The Giant and How He Humbugged America</u> by Jim Murphy -Answer the following questions and be prepared to discuss the book.

Had you heard of the Cardiff Giant before reading this book?

If so, what did you know?

What did you learn from this book?

What did you find most interesting?

Was the Cardiff Giant real?

On a scale of one to five (5=excellent), how many stars would you give this book? \_\_\_\_\_ Why?

\*\*\*\* A Completed Book Review Form is required to attend \*\*\*\*

## Vocabulary

- Abhor (p46) to dislike (someone or something) very much
- Adamant (p41) : not willing to change an opinion or decision : very determined
- Advocates (p41) a person who argues for or supports a cause or policy
- Affidavit (p45) a written report which is signed by a person who promises that the information is true
- Antiquity (p46) the quality of being ancient
- Avaricious (p82) greedy of gain : excessively acquisitive especially in seeking to hoard riches
- Benevolent (p28) kind and generous
- Benign (p88) not causing harm or damage
- Concocted (p40) made (a food or drink) by mixing different things together

Derrick (p55) - tall machine with long part like an arm that is used to move or lift heavy things

- Eminent (74) successful, well-known and respected
- Esteemed (p28) respected
- Excommunicated (p23) not allowed to continue being a member of the Roman Catholic church
- Gullible (p45) easily fooled or cheated
- Ingenuity (p81) skill or cleverness that allows someone to solve problems, invent things, etc.
- Lucre (p81) money or profit
- **Ostentatious (p82)** displaying wealth, knowledge, etc., in a way that is meant to attract attention, admiration, or envy
- Petrifaction (p40) the process of petrifying
- Proprietor (40) a person who owns a business or property
- Proscribe (p81) to condemn or forbid as harmful or unlawful
- Ratify (p30) to make official by signing it or voting for it
- Rescind (p30) to end (a law, contract, agreement, etc.) officially
- Serene (p12) calm and peaceful
- Solemnity (p27) the quality of being formal or serious
- Suffice (p55) to be or provide as much as is needed : to be sufficient
- Syndicate (p34) a group of people or businesses that work together
- **Temperance (p19)** the practice of always controlling your actions, thoughts, or feelings so that you do not eat or drink too much, become too angry, etc.