



# Celebrate West Virginia Children's Book Week!



**November 16 WV Poet Laureate**

**Marc Harshman**

Harshman is a professional writer, WV Poet Laureate, and storyteller. He regularly travels throughout the eastern United States, telling stories and honing his craft. As an author, he is known primarily for his picture books for children, but he has also published several collections of poetry.

His stories are set primarily in rural West Virginia and Indiana, the areas where he has lived and worked. His first book, *A Little Excitement*, was published in 1989. It is the story of a little boy named Willie, whose wish for a little excitement to break the monotony of winter farm life is answered in a way he didn't expect. He has published eight more children's books since that first book.

**11 am and 2 pm Storytelling and More** Mr. Harshman will share several of his books and stories old and new. Copies of Mr. Harshman's books will be available for purchase.