

Do Tell Story Swap Summaries

July 14, 2026

It was a great evening for stories!

Beverly Schwarz came in from New York to tell “How Sweet It Is,” a personal story of her third graders making towns from sugar cubes to understand architecture.

Sharon Elwell, from Washington, told a reworking of Stephen Vincent Benet’s “The Devil and Daniel Webster.”

Tim Ereneta joined us with an Italian folktale from Italo Calvino’s collection about a young man who was determined to find a way to live forever.

Shilpa called from India to tell the story of a king who was determined to touch the moon.

Sufian called from Minnesota to share a personal story about being a trickster and fooling a “giant” with finger math.

Rose Owens from Livermore told the tall tale of Sally Ann Thunder and Lightning Whirlwind Crockett.

Vicky Ness shared her new story about “Abner’s Fine Candy,” which changed his neighborhood.

Renu Narayan, in India, told the story of a ghost who wanted to be scary, but was just too tiny.