



**Monthly E-Newsletter
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Summer Reading Programs

Summer Reading Finale

It is hard to believe, but there are just three more weeks of Summer Reading! Join us for our grand finale - an all-ages Ice Cream Social - on Friday, August 17 at 3:00. Adult and teen raffle winners will also be drawn that day - there is still plenty of time to visit the library for more chances to win.



Beadcraft - August 1

Ages 6 & up (Registration Required)

Perler Beads - tiny plastic beads that can melt - were first introduced as a craft in Sweden in the 1950's and we still love them! Children ages 6 and up are invited to join us for an afternoon of beading fun Wednesday, August 1 at 1:00 p.m. Design suggestions will be offered, but creativity is encouraged! All craft materials will be provided.



Escape Room, Adult Edition - August 1

Adult (Registration Required)

Imagine you are in the Library of Alexandria as it begins to burn. Can you escape in time? Ages 18 and above are invited to test their puzzle-solving skills against an escape room on August 1.
Time slots are as follows:

- 4:15-5:00
- 5:30-6:15
- 6:45-7:30 (full - wait list available)

Step back in time in this immersive, puzzling experience! Registration and signed waiver are required. Please plan to arrive 10 minutes before your time slot. The clock starts whether or not you are in the room!



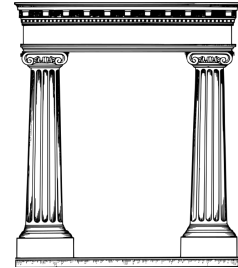
Escape Room, Children's Edition - August 2

Ages 9-18 (Registration Required)

Youth ages 9-18 can race the clock in a modified version of the escape room on August 2. Time slots are as follows:

- 11:45-12:30 (full - wait list available)
- 2:00-2:45 (full - wait list available)
- 3:15-4:00 (full - wait list available)

Step back in time in this immersive, puzzling experience! Registration and signed waiver are required. Please plan to arrive 10 minutes before your time slot. The clock starts whether or not you are in the room!



Pajama Storytime - August 6

Geared towards ages 0-5, but all ages welcome

What better way to get ready for bed than with a story or two? Come to the library in your pajamas on Monday, August 6 at 6:00 p.m. for an evening storytime! Get ready for bed with some stories, songs and fun.



Simplifying Sentimental Items

Adult and Older Teens

Sentimental items are often the most challenging to simplify. From souvenirs to childhood creations to collections and more, these items surround us in many forms and can leave us feeling overwhelmed and frustrated when trying to get organized and simplify our lives. If you need guidance and motivation to simplify your sentimental items, join Simple Living Coach & Consultant Lisa Luken on Monday, August 7 at 6:00. Lisa will provide insight, ideas, tips and resources to help you make decisions about your items and curate a simplified collection that brings you joy.



Gemstone Dig - August 8

Ages 4 & up

There's treasure at the library! On Wednesday, August 8, at 2:00 p.m., ages 4 and up are invited to dig for stones and other surprises in sandy treasure bins. Stop by the cleaning station to polish your favorite finds, and take them home with you!



Candy Sushi - August 8

Ages 11 & up

Sushi - Candy-Style. Join us on Wednesday, August 8 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. to make your favorite sushi rolls in candy form. All materials will be provided. Gluten-free options will be available. No peanuts or dairy products will be used.



DIY Geode Bath Bombs - August 9

Ages 11 and up (Registration Required)

Who knew something so scientific-looking and incredibly cool could be so easy to make? Join us at on Thursday, August 9 at 3:30 p.m. to make your own bath bombs. Break open the geodes to see an amazing surprise inside. All supplies will be provided. Registration is required.



Mind Blowing Matter Rocks - August 10

Ages 5-11 (Registration Required)

The Children's Museum of New Hampshire will be sharing their Mind-Blowing Matter Rocks presentation on Friday, August 10, at 2:00 p.m.! Join us for an exploration of matter from tiny molecules to exploding volcanoes. Learn how rocks can change their state of matter and watch other items change right before your eyes! Observe startlingly science-filled experiments and demonstrations and make an incredible shrink paper craft-that will look like real glass-to take home! This program is designed for ages 5-11, but all ages are welcome. Registration is encouraged and appreciated.



Create Your Own Rainstick - August 13

Ages 5 & up (Registration Required)

The one thing we need the most in the hottest days of summer is rain! Come join us on Monday, August 13, at 4 p.m. as we build our own rain sticks! Kids will learn how rain sticks work and the different ways to create one. This program is open to kids ages 5 and up; children age 4 are welcome with an adult. Registration is required.

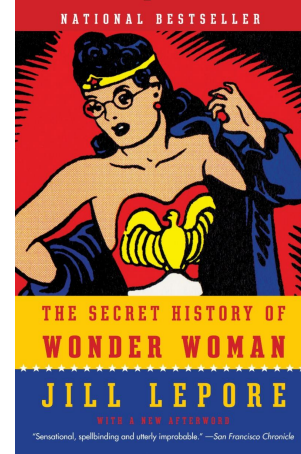


Nonfiction Book Group - August 13

Adult

Join us on Monday, August 13 at 6:30 to discuss *The Secret History of Wonder Woman* by Jill Lepore:

"The surprising origins of a 20th-century goddess. Wonder Woman, writes Lepore (History/Harvard Univ.; Book of Ages: The Life and Opinions of Jane Franklin, 2013), "was the product of the suffragist, feminist, and birth control movements of the 1900s and 1910s and became a source of the women's liberation and feminist movements of the 1960s and 1970s." ... Wonder Woman burst into comics in 1941, the creation of William Moulton Marston, a Harvard-educated psychologist. Marston, a master at self-promotion, had failed as a college professor; colleagues scorned his publicity stunts. ... Among the many topics on which Marston expounded was women's power....The creation, publishing history and eventual demise of the cartoon character are only part of Lepore's story, which uncovers the secret of Marston's startlingly unconventional family. ... Lepore mines new archival sources to reconstruct Marston's tangled home life and the controversy generated by Wonder Woman. It's an irresistible story, and the author tells it with relish and delight.(Kirkus Reviews, August 15, 2014)"



Yoga Play - August 14

Ages 3-5 with Adult (Registration Required)

YogaPlay is back! Miss Susan, Experienced-Registered Yoga Teacher, and Certified ChildLight Yoga Teacher, will offer a YogaPlay program for children ages 3-5 and their adult on Tuesday, August 14 at 1:00 p.m. Both adult and child must register and sign a waiver.



With songs, activities and games, we will have fun as we explore yoga shapes that represent animals, nature and structures. This is an interactive program between adult and child and other participants. No previous experience is necessary. Please dress comfortably and bring a small blanket for covering during Resting-on-a-Cloud Pose. Mats are provided.

Make a Ribbon Bookmark - August 14

Ages 11 and up

Always losing your place in your book? Do your paper bookmarks or paper scraps end up falling out? On Tuesday, August 14 at 3:00 p.m., come make a ribbon bookmark that will stay securely in place. All materials will be provided.



Introduction to Ukulele - August 15

Adult

Have you ever thought about learning to play a ukulele? Now is your chance! On Wednesday, August 15 at 6:00 p.m., KFL Trustee Dan Riggall will host "Introduction to Ukulele" for adult learners. You will learn some basic chords and techniques and where to find resources to continue learning on your own. No ukulele? No problem. The library will have a limited number available for you to try out. After the class, ukuleles can be checked out for a three week period.



Firefighter Storytime - August 16

All Ages

On Thursday, August 16, at 10:15 a.m., come meet our local fire fighters and learn about fire fighting! Kennebunk Fire and Rescue will bring some of their finest to storytime so that we can learn



what it takes to become a firefighter and how to keep ourselves safe. An emergency vehicle will be available to explore! All ages are welcome.

Hey Now, You're a Rock Star - August 16

Ages 7 & up (Registration Required)

Get ready to rock! Come dressed as a rock star, then transform your librarian into one too. On Thursday, August 16 at 2:00 p.m., youth ages 7 and up are invited to channel their inner stylist and give our own Miss Krissy a fabulous look for the day. Make a funky backdrop, bedazzle some props, and come prepared for pictures! Registration is required.



Ice Cream Social - August 17

All Ages

Wrap up KFL's summer reading program with an ice cream social! On Friday, August 17, at 3 pm, KFL will have flavors and toppings galore. Cool down with a sweet treat! All ages welcome.



Junior Science: Elephant Toothpaste! - August 20

Ages 4 & up; Registration Required

Science experiments can often be messy, gross, and funny, but they are always amazing! Come join us on Monday August 20th at 4 pm as we experiment with Elephant Toothpaste! The kids will learn about chemical reactions and the definition of an exothermic reaction! This experiment may cause staining; please wear appropriate clothing. This program is open to kids ages 7 and up; registration is required.

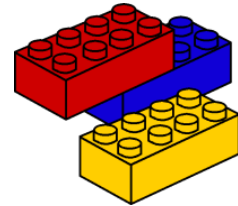
Last month at Junior Science the kids had so much fun as they turned the library into Mission Control and launched Bottle Rockets! They learned about how to make a bottle more aerodynamic and saw how strong a baking soda and vinegar reaction can be.



LEGO Club - August 22

Ages 5 & up (Registration Required)

Come join us on Wednesday, August 22 at 4:00 p.m. for Lego Club! This month there will be a building challenge that will push your builder abilities to the limit. If you are feeling more creative come build a Lego creation of your own imagination.

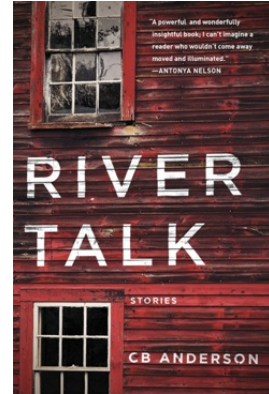


Adult Book Discussion - August 28

Adults & Older Teens

This month we will be discussing *River Talk* by CB Anderson. From Amazon.com:

"Described in a Kirkus starred review as 'a triumphant, probing debut,' *River Talk* introduces an unforgettable array of characters. A woman reconsiders her decision to enter a polygamous marriage; an Iraq War veteran struggles to reclaim compromised relationships; a taxidermist plies his trade to woo the woman he loves. In surefooted and emotionally deft prose, Anderson explores loss and desire, regret and hope. Everywhere we are reminded of all that a single life contains. **Named to Kirkus Book Reviews' Best Books of 2014.**"



Trivia Night - August 29

Adults & Older Teens

The last Wednesday of every month is Trivia Night at KFL. If you are confident in your trivia abilities, Trivia Night can be an individual sport. But you can also play in teams of up to six people. If you come with a ready-made team - great! If not, the Trivia Night regulars are a warm and welcoming lot, happy to give newcomers a spot on a team. We've been told that lasting friendships have been made when newcomers joined existing teams.



Admission is free, but players who choose to pay a \$2 entry fee are eligible to collect a share of half of that night's pot if their team wins. (Of course, if you're playing alone, you keep the whole half.) The other half goes to purchasing items for the library's collection.

Weekly Programs - Children and Adults

Summer Storytimes

Mondays at 10:15: Peek-A-Book Babies (ages 0-2)

Tuesdays at 10:15: Summer Storytime (ages 0-5)

Thursdays at 10:15: Summer Storytime (ages 0-5)

There will be no storytimes the weeks of August 20th & 27th.



In Stitches - August 7, 14, 21, 28

Do you love to knit? Crochet? Sew? Have you always wanted to learn? Do you have an unfinished project hidden on the closet shelf? Then join us for "In Stitches", our handicrafts group! This is a great opportunity to expand your skills and learn from others, about knitting, crocheting, sewing, embroidering, or other handicrafts while enjoying the company of others. Bring a project you are working on, or come learn from the very beginning (please bring your own supplies). Knitting help will be available.

In Stitches meets every Tuesday morning at 11:00 a.m. in the Walker Room. No registration is needed, just drop by for as long as you like.



Tech Time - August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Join us on **Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** for our ongoing service, Tech Time. Attendees will work one-on-one with a librarian to answer your technology questions. Registration required.

Technology is becoming more complicated so we're here to help. Having difficulty downloading the cloudLibrary app? Got a tablet for your birthday and need help setting it up? Please make an appointment by contacting the library at 207-985-2173. This service has quickly become very popular so your patience in waiting for an accommodation is greatly appreciated.



This service is intended to help educate you about your device or to troubleshoot minor technology issues. Our goal is that you'll leave our session with the confidence and knowledge to troubleshoot your own future technology hurdles.

Library News & Events

Elmina B. Sewall Charcoal Portrait Dedication

We will be hosting a portrait charcoal study dedication on Friday, August 3 at 2 p.m. The full-sized portrait is of Kennebunk philanthropist Elmina B. Sewall. It is the charcoal study of a piece commissioned by Mrs. Sewall's friend William Curran. The painter, Tony Falcone, worked from pictures and captured Mrs. Sewall in her mid-sixties when she created her Foundation. The Elmina B. Sewall Foundation supports work in Maine to improve the well-being of people, animals and the environment while fostering relationships that strive for social equity and community resilience.

As a child, Elmina Brewster Sewall was given two piggy banks. Her weekly allowance was divided equally: half in a piggy bank designated for her own spending and half in a piggy bank marked "Charity". Thus began "Sis" Sewall's lifelong commitment to helping those in need. She long focused her volunteer and philanthropic efforts on animal welfare, land conservation, and issues affecting human well-being.

In 1996, Mrs. Sewall was named Citizen of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce in her hometown of Kennebunk, Maine. She stated then with typical humble grace: "I like to help people out...I like to do what I can." Through her personal giving as well as that of the Elmina B. Sewall Foundation, which she established in 1982, Mrs. Sewall has had a profound impact on life in Kennebunk and the State of Maine.

Since Mrs. Sewall's death in 2005, the Foundation's Board of Directors has sought to continue her philanthropic legacy. The Elmina B. Sewall Foundation makes grants in Maine in the following three areas of interest: Animal Welfare, Healthy People Healthy Places, and Legacy. sewallfoundation.org.

Kennebunk Free Library is an annual recipient of a Sewall legacy grant and is very proud to add this portrait to our main lobby. Please join us, donor William Curran, and artist Tony Falcone for

this dedication. Light refreshments will be served.



KFL's Summer Art Sale

Kennebunk Free Library's Summer Art Sale will take place from Monday, August 6 through Saturday August 18 during regular library hours. The Art Sale will include select works, including this beautiful historical map print, all priced to sell. The works will be displayed throughout the library.



Community Yard Sale at KFL on August 18



Kennebunk Free Library is hosting a Community Yard Sale on our lawn on Saturday, August 18 from 8:30-12:30. Shoppers will find an array of items from local artists and your neighbor's attic.

A few 10'x10' spaces are still available to rent for \$25. You'll receive prime visibility on Main Street, free advertising and all for a low donation to benefit KFL.

Applications and fees are due by Monday, August 13. Applications and additional information can be picked up at the library or found on our website.

New Museum Pass

We now have a pass for checkout to the Children's Museum of New Hampshire! With the pass, admission is 50% off for up to four people. Explore and learn and CMNH, and join us for Mind-Blowing Matter Rocks on August 10 at 2 p.m.!



New Shelving!

The Children's Room is getting a makeover! New shelves are on their way! This will bring all our picture books together - no more split between R and S! We're so excited!



Speers Gallery

August Artist - Donald LaRochelle

Our August 3 to 31, 2018 exhibition will be "*Urban and Coastal Structures By a Retired Engineer,*" the oil paintings of Donald LaRochelle. The public is invited to view the exhibit during regular library hours when the gallery is not in use for library programs.

This exhibit uses perspectives in depicting buildings, covered bridges, and the waterfront in Maine, New Hampshire and Italy. Don has previously exhibited at Kennebunk Free Library, the Conway Library, NH and Wells Public Library.



New Books, Audio Books, & DVDs

[Click here](#) for a look at our new books.

[Click here](#) for new audio/video.

August Calendar of Events

- Aug 1: Beadcraft, 1:00 p.m.
- Aug 1: Escape Room (for adults), 4:15 p.m.
- Aug 1: Crafting Friends, 5:30 p.m.
- Aug 2: Summer Stortime, 10:15 a.m.
- Aug 2: Escape Room (for kids), 11:45 p.m.
- Aug 3: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- Aug 3: Elmina B. Sewall Portrait Dedication, 2:00 p.m.
- Aug 6: Summer Art Sale Begins
- Aug 6: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m.
- Aug 6: Pajama Storytime, 6:00 p.m.
- Aug 7: Summer Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- Aug 7: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.
- Aug 7: Simplifying Sentimental Items, 6:00 p.m.

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Aug 24: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Aug 28: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.
Aug 28: Adult Book Discussion, 1:00 p.m.
Aug 28: KFL Trustees Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Aug 29: Trivia Night, 6:30 p.m.
Aug 31: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

