



**Monthly E-Newsletter
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Summer Reading Starts This Month!

Summer Reading Program: Libraries Rock!

Where can you find an 80s prom, an instrument petting zoo, and an ice cream social all in one place? At the library! This year's summer reading program will run from June 22-August 17!



- Kid's program: Starting June 22, pick up your summer reading packet in the children's room! Complete the activities on the game board and earn cool prizes!
- Teen program: Check out books and attend programs to earn scratch tickets!
- Adult program: Complete book reviews to earn a raffle ticket!

See you this summer!!

80s Prom: All Ages ! - June 25

Whether you are part of the MTV- or the YouTube generation, our Summer Reading kickoff has something for everyone! A DJ will be playing the danceable 80s tunes that some may remember and some may consider "oldies." Enjoy some 80s snacks, make some 80s crafts (remember shrinky-dinks?), and take the opportunity to "80s your outfit" before having your photo snapped in our prom photo booth. Join us on June 25 from 5:30 to 7:30 for some nostalgic fun!



Children's Concert - June 28

On Thursday, June 28 at 2:00 p.m., Summer Reading Continues! Ben Fogg is the founder and creator of Ben & the

Peanut Butter Problem. In addition to being an educator, Ben is an incredibly talented artist and juggler. He plays guitar and piano; sings and writes kids songs and poems; and draws the illustrations.



Adult Programming

Parenting Class - June 1

Stevie Westmoreland, LMFT, LCPC leads her Parenting Class the first Friday of each month at 10 a.m.

This class offers an opportunity for parents, grandparents and caregivers to gather to share the joys and challenges of parenthood.

Skills developed will focus on identifying and understanding a child's four basic feelings, calming ourselves down and the positive effect of mirror neurons with your child.

Stevie has been in private practice as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor for over 30 years. She also brings her own experience as a parent and grandparent to the discussion.



Genealogy Group - June 2

Have you hit a stumbling block in your genealogy research? Do you have a novel solution that might help someone else in their research? This month's genealogy program will give you the opportunity to share your questions and your expertise. This "Brick Walls Roundtable" will be held on Saturday, June 2 from 10:00 to 12:00. Participants will be divided into groups to brainstorm solutions to each other's problems. A laptop and projector will be available if you have documents that you want to share. Anyone interested in being a group leader should e-mail Ellen Ahrens at gem5955@yahoo.com or leave a message at KFL's adult circulation desk (985-2173 x4).

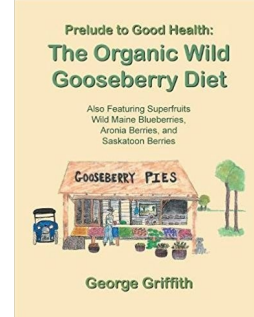
Preventing Financial Exploitation - June 11 & 18



On Monday, June 11, we will host "Preventing Financial Exploitation," presented by People's United Bank. This program aims to raise awareness among older adults and their caregivers about how to prevent elder financial exploitation and to encourage advance planning and informed financial decision-making. Part 2 of the program will be held on Monday, June 18.

Author Talk: George Griffith - June 12

Local author George Griffith will discuss his book "The Organic Wild Gooseberry Diet" on June 12, 2018 at 5:00. Griffith will explain the nutritional benefits of gooseberries, wild Maine blueberries, and other berries. A book signing will follow the discussion.



Devilishly Delicious Demos - June 13

Love a good pastry but terrified of the idea of making it yourself? We have the answer! On Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 6:00, KFL trustee Jolene Staruch will teach you how easy it is to make your own puff pastry; how to fold and shape croissants, Napoleons, Straws, and Elephant Ears; and how to assemble Napoleons. Best of all, you'll be able to sample each! Please register at the adult circulation desk - space is limited so there will be enough goodies to go around.



Trivia Night - June 27

The last Wednesday of every month is Trivia Night at KFL. Carol and Susan - KFL's trivia experts - prepare 25 questions each month on a variety of topics, from current events to local history.

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.



In Stitches - June 5, 12, 19, 26

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 mornings at 11am in the Walker Room. No registration is needed, just drop by for as long as you like.



Tech Time - June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

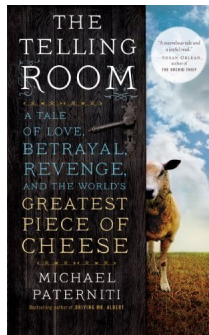
Join us on **Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** for our ongoing service, Tech Time. Attendees will work one-on-one with a librarian to answer your technology questions. Registration required.

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.

Reading Groups - June 11 and June 26

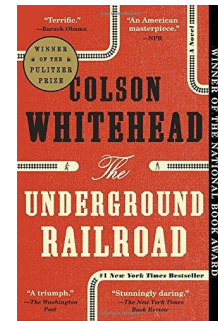


Nonfiction Book Group

The Telling Room by Michael Paterniti on
Monday, June 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion

The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead on
Tuesday, June 26 at 1:00 p.m.



Teen Programming

Tech & Textiles

Tech and Textiles is intended to give young people the space to explore emerging technologies and more traditional crafts. This program will meet every other Thursday at 3:00 in the Walker Room. Ages 11+



Thursday, June 7th & 21st: Sew Sessions

Join Miss Melissa for a two-part sewing class in June. Make a soft, sturdy fabric case for your favorite sunglasses to keep them safe and scratch-free all summer long.

Friday Fun

Join Miss Melissa in the Walker Room at 3:00 to test scientific limits, create crafts worth sharing with friends and bring your favorite games to life. Ages 11+

Friday, June 1: Pinhole Cameras

Use a shoebox and some duct tape to create a camera. Test your 'old-fashioned' photo-taking skills.

Friday, June 8: Constellation Cups

Summertime is perfect for star-gazing. But do you know how to identify the constellations? Constellation cups can help. Come make some.



Friday, June 15: Craft Buffet

Did you miss out on a teen program this year because of sports or homework or a family event? Don't worry! Miss Melissa kept the craft supplies - and instructions! This is your opportunity to craft and create.

Anime Afternoon

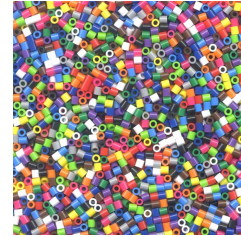
Wednesday, June 20, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

An afternoon of otaku games and anime inspired crafts.

Children's Programming

Beadcraft - June 6

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 (5, with caregiver) and up are invited to join us for an afternoon of beading fun Wednesday, June 6 at 1 p.m. Design suggestions will be offered, but creativity is encouraged! [Registration is required.](#) All craft materials will be provided.



Junior Science: Egg Drop Competition! - June 11

Science can be wacky, wild, or funny, but it's always an adventure! We will be holding a Junior Science series of programming for young scientists to experiment and observe the surprising results.



Please join us on Monday, June 11 at 4 p.m. as we host our 2nd annual Egg Drop Competition! For kids ages 4 and up, [registration required.](#)

In the May Junior Science, the kids had so much fun experimenting with Bubble Snakes! They learned about how bubbles form and molecular bonds. Bubbles were flying all around the library.

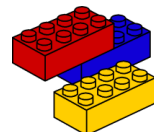
Movie Matinee - June 15

Join us on Friday, June 15 at 2:00 for a new release family film! Snacks will be provided.



LEGO Club - June 20

Come join us on Wednesday, June 20 at 4 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. Registration is required. Ages 4 and up.



Storytime Break

We will be having a storytime break from Monday, June 11 through Tuesday, June 19. Summer

storytimes will start Monday, June 25.

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

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

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



Library News & Events

Fantastic Response!

Our recent community survey had over 500 replies! This is a fantastic turnout and testament to the commitment the community has to KFL and to each other. Our strategic planning consulting group that we're working with, Starboard Leadership Consulting was even wowed with the number of surveys completed and they've been doing this around the state for many years.

This survey along with community interviews and focus groups that KFL conducted will steer the direction of our new, five-year strategic plan. Thank you for all of those that participated and please remember that comments and suggestions are always welcome.

Michelle K. Conners, KFL Director

Tech Upgrades

We're Encrypted!

You may notice when you visit our website that the URL bar reads now reads https: instead of http: There is also the addition of a small green lock with the word "Secure" to the left of this. What all of this means is that our site is now encrypted by a security protocol to help ensure user's data as well as the website data is protected. This is the same type of security protocol that you'll find with your banking and credit card websites.

Wi-Fi

When using your wireless devices at the Library you'll now see a splash page that will come up the first time you connect each visit. This is a legitimate addition to KFL and provides disclaimer information. We will also be tracking WiFi usage, but only numbers such as amount per day or what time of day our Wi-Fi is used the most. We never track user information such as names or content searched nor do we have the ability to.

Website

Our survey responses indicated that many of you would like to see an upgrade to our website - this change is now underway. Expect to see a new website in the upcoming months with a new design as well as responsiveness to your screen.

KFL at the Kennebunk Farmer's Market

KFL will be back at the Kennebunk Farmer's Market this year! Stop by to hear a story! We will be at the market from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. on June 2 & 9, with more dates to come.



A Message from the Friends...

A very successful book sorting event was held on May 7th. Many thanks to Sue, DD, Joan, Vivian, Julie, and Deb. Shelves were cleared of old books, sorted, and boxed up. The twenty seven boxes were picked up and sent off to Better World Books, a company that gives old books new life. With these Friends, a daunting task was accomplished in ninety minutes. Many hands make light work. And we had fun!! Thank you all!

When making donations, please remember that we **do not** accept manuals, National Geographics, Reader Digests, moldy or water damaged books. We appreciate your cooperation.

Happy Reading,
Donna

June Artist - Kyle Neugebauer

Our June 2018 exhibition will be, "*Maine Explorations*," the photographs of Kyle Neugebauer. The public is invited to view the exhibit during regular library hours when the gallery is not in use for library programs.



[Register Now!](#)

Goodie bags are going fast! Register now to secure your place among the first 200.

Raffle tickets are now on sale! The fabulous raffle prizes are on display in our lobby until the Road Race. Tickets are \$2 each or \$20 for 15.



2018 Annual Appeal Update

Thank you to those who have contributed to our Annual Appeal campaign. You can already see how your money is creating an impact just by reading through this newsletter. We are currently \$11,000 short of our 2018 goal of \$67,000 by June 30 so for those of you who haven't had the opportunity to donate yet I encourage you to please consider doing so. I think [this attachment](#) does a great job of describing what we do, in one page, but I'm more than happy to answer any questions you have about KFL or to [chat about libraries in general](#).

Due to a glitch in our donor software some of you may not have received your letter until recently and we apologize for this error. If you still haven't received your letter please make sure to let us know at kfl@kennebunk.lib.me.us or 207-985-2173 x 100 so we can get that straightened out for you.

Warm Regards,
Michelle Conners, KFL Director

New Books, Audio Books, & DVDs

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

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

June Calendar of Events

June 1: Parenting Class, 10:00 a.m.
June 1: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
June 2: Genealogy Group, 10:00
June 4: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m.

June 5: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.
June 6: Beadcraft, 1:00 p.m.
June 6: Crafting Friends, 5:30 a.m.
June 7: Tech & Textiles, 3:00 p.m.
June 8: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
June 8: Art Trail, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
June 8: Friday Fun, 3:00 p.m.
June 9: Artist Reception, 1:00 p.m.
June 11: Junior Science, 4:00 p.m.
June 11: Preventing Financial Exploitation (Part 1), 5:30 p.m.
June 11: Nonfiction Book Group, 6:30 p.m.
June 12: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.
June 12: Author Talk, 5:00 p.m.
June 13: Devilishly Delicious Demos, 6:00
June 15: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.
June 15: Friday Fun, 3:00 p.m.
June 18: Preventing Financial Exploitation (Part 2), 5:30 p.m.
June 19: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.
June 20: Lego Club, 4:00 p.m.
June 20: Teen Anime Afternoon, 4:00
June 21: Tech & Textiles, 3:00 p.m.
June 22: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
June 22: Friday Fun, 3:00 p.m.
June 25: Summer Reading Kick-Off - 80s Prom, 5:30
June 26: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.
June 26: Adult Book Discussion, 1:00 p.m.
June 26: Trustees Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
June 27: Trivia Night, 6:30 p.m.
June 28: The Music of Ben Fogg, 2:00 p.m.
June 29: Tech Time, 10:00 - 12:00
June 29: Friday Fun, 3:00

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