



**Monthly E-Newsletter  
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**Adult Programs**

**Genealogy Group - November 3**

On Saturday, November 3 at 10:00 a.m., the Kennebunk Free Library Genealogy Group will host Patty Shorland, director of the Exeter New Hampshire Family History Center. Shorland will provide an overview of the resources available at the Family History Center, a tutorial on how to use the research tools available on the FamilySearch website, and instruction on using the Family Tree section of the website.



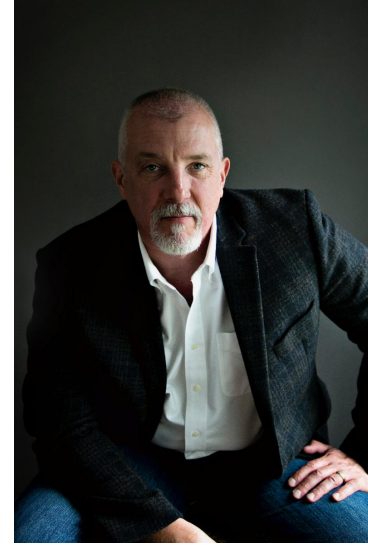
**Author Bruce Robert Coffin - November 5**

Bestselling mystery author Bruce Robert Coffin will be here on Monday, November 5 at 6:00 to read from his new novel, *Beyond the Truth*. A book signing will follow. The event is cosponsored by the library and Mainely Murders Bookstore in Kennebunk.

Bruce Robert Coffin is the bestselling author of the Detective Byron mystery series and a former detective sergeant with more than twenty-seven years in law enforcement. At the time of his retirement from the Portland, Maine police department, he supervised all homicide and violent crime investigations for

Maine's largest city. Following the terror attacks of September 11th, Bruce spent four years working counter-terrorism with the FBI, earning the Director's Award, the highest honor a non-agent can receive. *Among the Shadows*, *Beneath the Depths*, and *Beyond the Truth*, the first three novels in the Detective John Byron mystery series, have been well-received by fans and critics alike. His short fiction appears in several anthologies, including *The Best American Mystery Stories 2016*.

Bruce is a member of International Thriller Writers, Mystery Writers of America, Sisters in Crime, and the Maine Writers and Publishers Alliance. He is a regular blog contributor to the Maine Crime Writers and Murder Books blogs. He lives and writes in Maine.



## Make-and-Take Head-to-Toe - November 7

The holiday season means food, family, and fun but it also means shopping, cooking, and cleaning. We have the perfect way to prepare for the busy season ahead! Join us on Wednesday, November 7 at 6:30 to make your own head-to-toe pampering kit. Presenter Cindy Simon will teach us how to make peppermint foot cream and an all-natural moisturizing and cleaning facial mask.

Call or [e-mail the library](#) to register.



## Board Game Night - November 12

Come celebrate International Games Week at the Kennebunk Free Library! Join us on Monday November 12th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. to play one of our fantastic board games! This program is open to players of all ages.



## Nonfiction Book Group - November 12

Join us on Monday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss *The Complete Persepolis* by Marjane Satrapi.

"This extraordinary autobiography tells the story of Satrapi's early life as a girl in late 1970s and early 1980s Iran. Through her young eyes, the reader sees the overthrow of the Shah, the Islamic fundamentalist rise to power, and the war with Iraq. Satrapi was a religious girl who grew up in a progressive family and went to a French school; but after the Islamic revolution, she was forced to wear the veil and ended up rejecting God. Under increasing threat from Iraqi bombings and an oppressive government, Satrapi and her family still managed to enjoy forbidden parties, games, and music (such as Iron Maiden). This fueled Satrapi's own adolescent rebellion, which eventually got her into trouble. Satrapi's simple, cartoony, even cute black-and-white art allows for easy identification with the characters and expertly reflects their varying emotions. When first



published in France, where Satrapi now lives, this book won several European comics awards- and it's a prime candidate for American award nominations as well. A remarkable, revealing, and sometimes startling account ..." (Library Journal, vol 128, issue 8, p99)

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## Astronomy 101 - November 26

On, Monday, November 26 at 6:00, Ron Thompson will present Astronomy 101, giving participants the tools needed to enjoy the night sky. You will get a brief overview of what astronomy is all about, discover where to find resources and use "Sky Maps," or star charts, and learn how to use your eyes and charts to navigate the night sky. You will learn to "read," identify and highlight the current Constellations for the month, using a sky map.



Ron Thompson lives in Yarmouth and is a Director and Treasurer of the Southern Maine Astronomers. He has been interested in Astronomy since Sputnik went into orbit in October of 1957. Ron enjoys the night sky with just his eyes or Binoculars or a telescope. He studies the Sun, our very own star, and tries to keep up with all the many aspects of Astronomy; the technology advancements, spacecraft and all the new discoveries being made. Ron has been working with "Cornerstones of Science", in Brunswick, modifying telescopes for libraries, and providing workshops for the librarians and patrons. This is his fourteenth school year at Cape Elizabeth High School, helping the science teachers with their Astronomy programs. Ron enjoys seeing people open up and discover Astronomy, ultimately learning and enjoying the night sky.

Please call or [e-mail the library](#) to register.

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## Ukulele Group - November 28

On Wednesday, November 28 at 5:30, come to KFL for the fun of making music in the library. Though most of us are newbies, still learning to play the ukulele, people of all skill levels are invited to stop by to play along. Instructor Dan Riggall combines basic instruction with the opportunity to make music.



The library has a limited number of ukuleles available. Please let us know if you will need to borrow one. We will do our best to accommodate you.

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## Trivia Night - November 28

The last Wednesday of every month is Trivia Night at KFL. Play alone or bring a team (or join one of our friendly groups of regulars). 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. Join us on November 28 at 6:30 p.m.



## In Stitches - November 6, 13, 20 & 27

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.



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## Tech Time - November 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

Join us on **Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 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.

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## Teen Programs

### Friday Fun

**November 2 3:00 p.m.**

Come join us as we go completely gross with Pumpkin Slime!

**November 9 3:00 p.m.**

Come join us at 3 p.m. as we make our own Newton's Cradles and discuss the laws of motion.

**November 16 3:00 p.m.**

Come join us as we celebrate international Board Game day and host our own tournament.

**November 30 3:00 p.m.**

Come join us as we take on some of the most difficult Lego challenges ever dreamt up.



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**Teen Anime - November 14**

Come talk about anime, learn to draw your favorite characters, watch your favorite anime films and TV shows on the projection screen and everything anime in-between on Wednesday, November 14 at 4:00 p.m. It is open to students and teens ages 10 and up.



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**Children's Programs**

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**Beadcraft - November 7**

Perler Beads - tiny plastic beads that can melt - were first introduced as a craft in Sweden in the 1950s and we still love

them! Children ages 6 and up are invited to join us for an afternoon of beading fun on Wednesday, November 7, at 1:00 p.m. Design suggestions will be offered, but creativity is encouraged! All craft materials will be provided. Registration is required.



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## I Survived: Earthquake Edition - November 8

Pompeii, 79 C.E. The eruption of Mount Vesuvius ranks among the worst volcanic catastrophes in European history, burying Pompeii and other nearby towns beneath thousands of tons of ash and debris. These towns were lost for centuries before being rediscovered, perfectly preserved, giving us a fascinating window into life in ancient Rome.

On Thursday, November 8 at 3:45 p.m., children ages 6 and up are invited to come learn a little about Vesuvius and the towns it buried through hands-on activities. Craft a mosaic worthy of ancient Rome, make a "petrified" plaster cast to take home...there might even be a BOOM at the end! Registration is required.



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## Dinosaur Excavation - November 13

Calling all junior paleontologists! Come celebrate DiNovember with a dinosaur excavation for scientists aged 6 and up. The adventure starts on November 13 at 3:45 p.m. All participants will have their own sandy brick and use child-friendly tools to find the treasures inside. All treasures can be taken home! Registration is required. Wear clothes that can get messy!



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## Chickadee Book Club - November 14

Kennebunk Free Library has a book club for first and second graders! We meet to read and talk about Chickadee nominated picture books, and have some fun! The club meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 3:30 p.m.. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 14. We will be discussing *Sarabella's Thinking Cap* by Judy Schacher. Copies can be reserved via Minerva online or at the library. Reading the book ahead of the club meeting is encouraged, but not required. Registration is required, and is limited to 15 readers. For more information or to register, call 985-2173. Come read with us!



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## Dinosaur Eggs - November 15

Something's hatching at Kennebunk Free Library! Junior paleontologists ages 2-4 are invited to join us to explore dinosaur eggs on November 15 at 3:45 p.m. What will you find inside? Everyone will leave with a mini dinosaur! Registration is required. Wear clothes that can get messy!



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## Junior Science: Race Car Challenge - November 19

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, November 19th at 4 p.m. as we take on a Race Car Challenge! For kids ages 5 and up, registration is required.

In October at Junior Science the kids had a so much fun as we tried out Spy Science! They learned about chemical reactions and new terms like oxidation and how to send secret messages using lemon juice and heat.



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## Crafternoon - November 20

Are you ready to get crafty? Come to Kennebunk Free Library on Tuesday, November 20 at 4:00 p.m. for all the crafting you can handle! We will have several crafts available for you to choose from. Make one, or make them all! All ages are welcome to attend; however, please be aware that paint and small craft pieces may be present. No registration required.



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## Drop-In Family Holiday Crafts - November 24

It's that time of year again! We are offering Drop-In Family Holiday Crafts from 11:00 to 2:00 on November 24, including a card making station. Celebrate the start of the holiday season with some festive crafts! No registration required.



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## Homeschooling Group - November 26

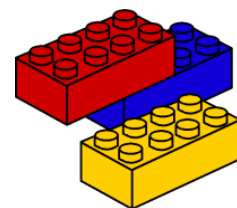
Are you the parent of a homeschooler? Are you looking for a place to talk about your experiences with other parents? KFL has started a group for parents of homeschoolers to discuss and share resources. A librarian will be available to answer questions and offer guidance. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 26 at 6:00 p.m. Homeschooling is a journey - join us to talk about your travels!



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## LEGO Club - November 28

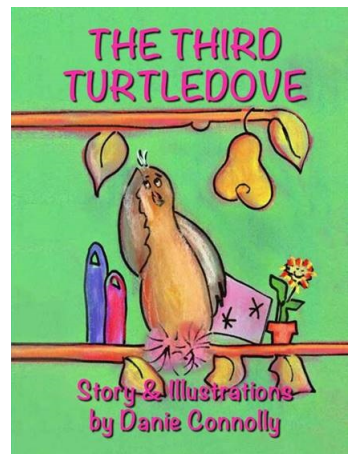
Come join us on November 28 at 4:00 p.m. for Lego Club! This month come join us for a building challenge that will push your builder abilities to the limit. If you are feeling more creative come build a Lego creation of your own imagination. Registration is required, for kids ages 4 and up.



## Author Danie Connolly - November 30

Author Danie Connolly will be visiting KFL on Friday, November 30 at 1:00 for a book reading and signing. Connolly is a children's author and illustrator, columnist and photojournalist.

Armed with her suitcase, fluffy pink slippers and her favorite plant, Momma Turtledove seeks a quiet corner of the Peartree after the holidays only to find it's more chaotic than she could ever imagine! This frolicking tale of the Twelve Days of Christmas takes a hilarious trip up and down every branch of this Holiday Christmas Tree!



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## Storytimes

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

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

We will take a brief storytime break from November 19 to November 24. Storytimes will resume November 26. Enjoy your holiday!



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## Children's Room Shelving Donors Recognized

### Children's Room Shelving Reception - November 19

This August the children's room received a major makeover in the form of new shelving for picture books, board books, DVDs, and graphic novels. Join us on Monday, November 19 between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. for crafts and light refreshments and to thank those that made this long-awaited-for project come to fruition. These upgrades were made possible by generous donations from The Friends of Kennebunk Free Library and George and DD Harrington and Family.

With the new shelving additions, browsing and accessibility have increased immensely. Along with a project by the library to re-categorize the picture books, patrons and staff alike are breathing a sigh of relief. In the previous set-up, almost half of the books needed to be turned on their sides due to space constraints and without spines facing outward showing titles, authors and call numbers, tracking items down was a tedious task.

The DVDs are now all housed in one shelf range instead of the three separate areas where they had previously been given a home. On top of their usability, the shelves also look great. KFL worked with local business Huston and Company to install the beautiful wooden tops and sides of the new shelving units.

This is a drop-in event for all ages.





## Speers Gallery

### October Artist - Keiren Valentine

The Kennebunk Free Library announces its November 1 to 30, 2018 exhibition, "Folk Prints," cyanotype prints enhanced with encaustic wax created by Keiren Valentine. The public is invited to view the exhibit during regular library hours when the gallery is not in use for library programs.



## Friends of KFL Annual Meeting

### Friends Annual Meeting - November 5

Please join us for the Friends of the Kennebunk Free Library Annual Meeting on Monday, November 5 at 6 p.m. We welcome you to meet other Friends, learn about the highlights of the past year, and help plan for 2019.

Wine and cheese will be served, along with other light refreshments. Bring a friend, be a Friend! Your RSVP is appreciated at [kfl@kennebunk.lib.me.us](mailto:kfl@kennebunk.lib.me.us) or 985-2173 x 100.

**Click to download:**

[Meeting Agenda](#)

[Minutes from the Last Meeting](#)

[2019 Friends Membership Application](#)

## Library News & Events

### Last Chance for Wreath Orders!

Haven't made your wreath order yet? Now is the time! All orders must be received by Monday, November 12 at 8:00. A sampling of wreaths is shown below.

[Click here to order online.](#)

## Christmas Wreath Sale at KFL

Beautiful Maine-made wreaths can be picked up at the Kennebunk Free Library on Nov. 17 or shipped to friends around the country for \$18.95. Wreaths are double-sided, 23" balsam. All proceeds benefit the library.

ORDER BY NOVEMBER 12, 2018:  
[squareup.com/store/kennebunk-free-library](http://squareup.com/store/kennebunk-free-library)



Coastal Pine Wreath - \$36



Blueberry Wreath - \$38



Traditional Wreath - \$40



Classic Centerpiece - \$40



Hamilton Plaid Spray - \$38

## New Website!

This month, we will be unveiling our new website. We are delighted with the new, cleaner look and the ease of use. We hope you will be too!

The screenshot shows the Kennebunk Free Library website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for "Find an Item" and "Manage Your Account", along with social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. The main header features the library's logo, name, address (112 Main Street, Kennebunk, ME 04043), and phone number (207) 985-2173, with an email address kfl@kennebunk.lib.me.us. Below the header is a horizontal menu with links for Home, Programs & Events, Youth, Services, Research, About, and Contact. The main content area includes a "Holiday Wreath Fundraiser" announcement with a "View all hours here..." link, a search bar for the catalog, and a section for "Our Holiday Fundraiser Returns!" which lists items like "Homestead Wreath (A1)" and "Classic Wreath (A2)". There are also logos for "E-Books and E-Audiobooks" with 3M and Digital Magazines with rb logos.

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

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

## November Calendar of Events

Nov 2: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Nov 2: Parenting Class, 10:00 a.m.  
Nov 2: Teen Friday, 3:00 p.m.  
Nov 3: Genealogy, 10:00 a.m.  
Nov 5: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m.  
Nov 5: Author Bruce Coffin, 6:00 p.m.  
Nov 5: Friends of KFL Annual Meeting, 6:00 p.m.  
Nov 6: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m.  
Nov 6: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.  
Nov 7: Beadcraft, 1:00 p.m.  
Nov 7: Crafting Friends, 5:30 p.m.  
Nov 7: Make & Take: Head-to-Toe, 6:30 p.m.  
Nov 8: I Survived: Vesuvius, 3:45 p.m.  
Nov 9: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Nov 9: Teen Friday, 3:00 p.m.  
Nov 12: Last Day to Order Wreaths  
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Nov 14: Chickadee Book Club, 3:30 p.m.  
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Nov 15: Dinosaur Eggs, 3:45 p.m.  
Nov 16: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m.  
Nov 16: Teen Friday, 3:00 p.m.  
Nov 17: Wreath Pickup, 10:00 a.m.  
Nov 19: Children's Room Reception to recognize donors, 4:00 p.m.  
Nov 19: Junior Science, 4:00 p.m.  
Nov 20: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.  
Nov 20: Crafternoon, 4:00 p.m.  
Nov 21: Library Closes at 5:00 p.m.  
Nov 22: Library Closed for Thanksgiving  
Nov 23: Tech Time, 10:00 p.m.  
Nov 23: Teen Friday Fun, 3:00 p.m.  
Nov 24: Drop-In Family Holiday, 11:00 p.m.  
Nov 26: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m.  
Nov 26: Astronomy 101, 6:00 p.m.  
Nov 26: Homeschool Group, 6:00 p.m.  
Nov 27: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m.  
Nov 27: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.  
Nov 27: Let's Talk About It, 6:00 p.m.  
Nov 27: KFL Trustees Meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
Nov 28: Lego Club, 4:00 p.m.  
Nov 28: Ukulele Group, 5:30 p.m.  
Nov 28: Trivia Night, 6:30 p.m.  
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