

Monthly E-Newsletter October 2016 Volume 22, Issue 10

Parking Lot Closure

Our parking lot which also serves the First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church of Kennebunk and Berkshire Hathaway Real Estate will be closed after 1:00 PM on Sunday, October 9 and all day Monday, October 10 for repairs. Patrons are reminded that the Library's book drops will not be accessible during these times and are asked to please return materials either before we close at 5:00 PM on Saturday, October 8 or after we open again on Tuesday, October 11 at 9:30 AM.



The Library is closed for Columbus Day on Monday, October 10.

The World in Your Library - The Syrian Crisis

With support from the Maine Humanities Council, Kennebunk Free Library will host Scott Erb on **Tuesday**, **October 4 at 6:00 PM**. His talk, The *Syrian Crisis: ISIS and Refugees*, will examine the crisis and its long term implication focusing on the situation in Syria and Iraq, the impact on the European Union, and the potential role of the US.

Scott Erb is a professor of Political Science at the University of Maine at Farmington, specializing in international relations, foreign policy, and the European Union. Scott earned his PhD from the University of Minnesota in 1994 and has been at UMF since 1996. Scott's research focus is on Germany and the EU, and he has published a book: *German Foreign Policy: Navigating a New Era* (2003). His current research project involves investigating how the European Union can be a model for politics in the era of globalization.

Additionally, there will be a program, *Introduction to Buddhism*, held at **Wells Public Library** on Tuesday, October 18 at 6:00, given by Dana Sawyer.

The World in Your Library is brought to your community through a partnership between the Maine Humanities Council, the Margaret Chase Smith Foundation and the Mid-Coast Forum on Foreign Relations.



Children's Programming

Pajama Storytime with Dorothy Bush Koch



Thank you to Dorothy Bush Koch who did a pajama storytime and craft with us on Wednesday, August 24. Children were invited to come dressed in their pajamas and ready for bed. Songs, stories and a craft were shared.

Tail Waggin' Tutor Is Back!

On **Saturday, October 22 at 10:00 AM** children are invited to drop-in to read to Jack, a trained therapy dog. Jack will be accompanied by his favorite people, Ursula and Katie Roese.



Halloween Beadcraft

On **Tuesday**, **October 18 at 4:00** children in grades 1 and up are welcome to attend this Halloween-themed Beadcraft program. Use melty beads to create a Halloween window ornament or create a unique emblem for your Halloween costume! <u>Pre-registration is required</u>.

To the right are some of the crafts created at last month's Minecraft themed beadcraft.



Legos Club



On **Tuesday**, **October 26 at 4:00** children in kindergarten and older are welcome to attend the Legos Building Club. All Legos blocks will be supplied; please leave yours at home. <u>Pre-registration is required.</u>

In September everyone worked together to build this amazing town!

Genealogy Group - The Sociology of Cemeteries

On **Saturday, October 1 at 10:00**, Helen Shaw, MA, CGsm will be discussing *The Sociology of Cemeteries*. Helen specializes in census and cemetery research. She is president of the Maine Genealogical Society and legislative liaison for the Maine Old Cemetery Association.

Little has been published on how people selected their final resting place or burial patterns within a cemetery. What do you do when there is no death certificate, no obituary, no burial record? How can you narrow your search for that elusive burial place?

What you know about your deceased family members can help you narrow your search for a cemetery. What you know about the cemetery in which family members are buried, can tell you a great deal about them and their social and ethnic background.

Cemeteries are important to genealogists because of what they can tell us about our relatives. Not just about them personally, but about them as a part of the community in which they lived. People are buried in a particular cemetery for a reason and discovering that reason will lead to a better understanding of your relatives.

The genealogy group is looking for members to volunteer as researchers. Please <u>contact us</u> if you're interested.

The Genealogy Group is open to the public and meets nine times a year.

Teen Programming

TEEN THURSDAYS October 6, 13, 20 & 27 2:30 - 4:30 PM

Head to the Library after school ends, and spend Thursday afternoons with Melissa, the Teen Librarian in a new 'multi-purpose' space at Kennebunk Free Library. This is a drop-in any time event, no pre-registration required. Open to teens in Grades 6-12. Play a game with friends. Color, create or collaborate. Get help with homework. Find a new favorite book.

October 6th: Mad Hatter Day: Tea cup races, card games and all sorts of topsy-turvy fun.

October 13th: Train Your Brain Day: Puzzles, codes, secrets, ciphers and more. Learn to master MARVEL, try a scavenger hunt or work with friends on a jigsaw puzzle.

October 20th: National Book Month: Not Sure What to Read Next? Let us help: learn how to recommend books like a librarian, help Melissa plan the Teen Book Club, and try 'Speed Date with a Book'.

October 27th: 'Peculiar' Party: Revisit the world of *Miss. Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children* just in time for Halloween.

TEEN GAMING

October 7, 14, 21 & 28

Come play the Wii on the KFL projector screen. Handheld devices and trading card games also encouraged. 2:30-4:30 PM

TEEN MOVIE NIGHT October 18

Come watch a movie on the KFL projector screen. Popcorn and drinks provided. Call or visit KFL for title information. This month's movie is rated PG. 5:00 PM

Mystery Author Discusses Series Set in Tudor London

Mary Lawrence of Limington, Maine will discuss her novels on Tuesday, October 11 at 6:00 PM.

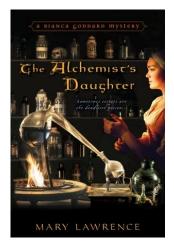
Mary is the author of the Bianca Goddard Mysteries featuring the daughter of

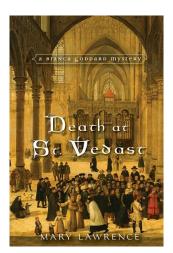


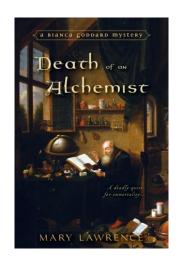
an infamous alchemist. Set in Tudor London during the final years of Henry VIII's reign, the series follows Bianca in her pursuit of science to create medicines to help the sick. Along the way, Bianca must deal with a most unhealthy dose of murder and mayhem.

The first in her series, *The Alchemist's Daughter* (Kensington, 2015) was named by *Suspense Magazine* as a "Best Book of 2015" in the historical mystery category and was on Amazon's top 100 best-selling historical mysteries for two months. Book two, *Death of an Alchemist,* was released in February 2016 and her upcoming title, *Death at St. Vedast* will be released in 2017.

Mary worked in the medical field for over 25 years before publishing her debut mystery. She also runs a small berry farm with her husband. Learn more about her books at http://www.marylawrencebooks.com/









You can help

Knitting for Victory in WWI: How the Red Cross Mobilized the Nation to Knit and Helped Win the War.

Join Holly Korda on **Thursday**, **October 6 at 1:00**, in exploring the amazing efforts of the Knitting Brigades of WWI and learn how knitting helped unify the nation and win the war.

In the summer of 1917, following the U.S. entry into World War I in April, the American Red Cross put out an urgent call for volunteers in every state who came to knit more than 15 million pounds of wool into socks, sweaters, hats, and bandages for our soldiers and allies overseas. In less than two years, membership swelled from 200,000 to over 30 million nationwide. Women, men, and the nation's school children knit and purled more than 23 million articles for the war effort in the most successful mobilization of community resources in the United States.

WWI Dioramas

Through October 31 come visit the reading room to see dioramas representing the Battle of the Somme, the Battle of Verdun, and a French Artillery Battery during the Winter campaigns of 1916.



On loan from Gregory Podgurski.

Doll House Added to Children's Room

A new doll house and other toys have recently been purchased to stimulate imaginary play for our littlest library patrons. Many thanks to our generous donors who made donations specifically for the Children's Room.



Adult Summer Reading Program Winner

Completed Bingo cards earned participants an entry for the end-ofsummer prize - *Book Lover's Edition Scrabble*. Gene Parr was the winner!

Thank you to all who participated.



Friends of KFL Harvest Fest Book Sale



The Friends are holding a book sale during Harvest Fest on **Saturday**, **October 1** from 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM. Donations will again be accepted after the book sale on Monday, October 3.

Don't forget that the Friends of KFL purchase several of our museum passes. Check out passes to The Seashore Trolley Museum and Strawbery Banke before they close for the season.

The <u>Seashore Trolley Museum</u> is open to Columbus Day and then Saturdays and Sundays in October.

Strawbery Banke is open through October.

Learn more about joining the Friends and about the museum passes they offer.



"1,2,3,4,5,6"

Our October exhibition is **"1,2,3,4,5,6,** the mixed media works of Sandra Regan. They will be on display in the



Speers Gallery located in Hank's Room. The public is invited to view the exhibit during regular library hours when the gallery is not in use for library programs.

Ms. Regan has always enjoyed the creative process. Even as a little girl she had her own work table where she could draw, paint and create whatever she wanted.

Living on the New England shore inspires much of her work but her ideas can come from anywhere: sand from the beach, shadows, full moon light, her closet, a silent prayer. "I never know when an idea will become a painting. The subjects in this group of art work seem to be more personal to me. I think I just wanted to paint for myself. So if

there is a message, it is enjoy what you are doing, do what makes you happy." This exhibit consists of mixed media, acrylics on canvas, cut paper and water color.

After graduating from Boston State College, Ms. Regan taught art for 23 years in Somerville, MA. She has taken graduate art courses at Salem State College and Massachusetts College of Art. Currently she is working on two books, is an Overseer at the USS Constitution Museum in Boston and is a member of Maine Women in the Arts.

The public is invite to an Artist Reception on Monday, October 24, 4:00 to 5:30 PM.

Bernie Alie Farewell

With the change of seasons come changes at KFL. We recently bid adieu to our Children's Librarian Bernie Alie who has accepted a position at York County Community College library. For just over nine years Bernie welcomed families to KFL, assisted hundreds of students with homework assignments, led entertaining story times, danced like a faerie, and welcomed pigs, dogs, cats, hermit crabs, chicken and children to the KFL pet show each summer. Coworker Susan Mirisola writes: "In the nine years of our working together, Bernie has been an inspiration in many areas, particularly on how to conduct a successful story time. Fun, informative, thoughtful, and song-filled, Bernie's story times were often raucous with music and movement, drawing me away from the help desk to peek through Hank's Room door. Bernie made the story book characters come alive and never shied away from being ridiculous or silly. Her enthusiasm for what she was doing was both palpable and contagious."

Bernie is off to work with the big kids at YCCC bringing her talents to the students and staff, some of whom she has probably known since they were little kids. "Bernie has left the Children's Room better than when she started here in 2007. She developed the collection, provided technology for our children, and made sure our programs were developmentally appropriate and lots of fun," says Director Jill LeMay.

Two part-time Library Assistants, Jessica Hovey and Mary Lynne Marnell have also recently left KFL for full time positions in Portland and Biddeford. We invite you to join us in welcoming our two new Library Assistants Emory Rounds and Jon Roy. Emory will work mostly in Adult Services and Jon will work in both the Adult and Youth Services departments.

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Homeschooling Group

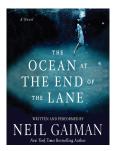
The KFL Homeschooling Group will meet on **Monday**, **October 3 at 2:00 PM**. This is an opportunity for homeschooling families to get together with others and exchange ideas or ask questions. Newcomers to homeschooling or families exploring the option are welcome to drop in to learn more. Activities for children will be provided. No pre-registration is needed. Future meetings will be on the first Monday of most months at 2:00 PM.



Adult Reading Groups

Nonfiction Book Group -Dead Wake by Erik Larsson on Monday, October 17 at 6:30 PM.

> Adult Book Group -The Ocean at the End of the Lane by Neil Gaiman on Tuesday, October 25 at 1:00 PM.







Mondays @ 10:15 AM: Peek-a-Book Babies (birth to age 2) Tuesdays @ 10:15 AM: Family Storytime (all ages) Thursdays @ 10:15 AM: Time for 2s & 3s (toddlers)

Age-appropriate toys are brought out at the end of Peek-a-Book Babies. Families are invited to spend some time interacting with other parents while engaging their children with the toys.

Nifty Knitters

Every Tuesday at 11:00 AM.

Bring a needlework project to work on while socializing with other crafters, or bring in your project for others to help you.

Beginners welcome. We lend needles and wool is available for the asking.





Wednesday, October 26 at 6:30 PM

New Ways to Help KFL

You now have the option of contributing a portion of your Amazon purchase through smile.amazon.com We are listed as Kennebunk Free Library Association.



October Calendar of Events

Oct. 1: Harvest Fest Book Sale, 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM Oct. 1: Storytime at the Farmer's Market, Drop-In 9:00-10:00 AM Oct. 1: Genealogy Group - The Sociology of Cemeteries, 10:00 AM Oct. 3: Peek-a-Book Babies Storytime, 10:15 AM Oct. 3: Homeschool Group, 2:00 PM Oct. 4: Family Storytime, 10:15 AM Oct. 4: Nifty Knitters, 11:00 AM Oct. 4: World In Your Library: The Syrian Crisis: ISIS and Refugees, 6:00 PM Oct. 5: Crafting Friends, 5:30 PM Oct. 6: Time for 2s & 3s, 10:15 AM Oct. 6: Knitting for Victory in WWI, 1:00 Oct. 6: Teen Thursdays, 2:30 PM Oct. 6: Sit & Knit Hats, 3:30 PM Oct. 7: Parenting Class, 10:00 AM Oct. 7: Teen Gaming, 2:30 PM Oct. 10: CLOSED, Columbus Day Oct. 11: Family Storytime, 10:15 AM Oct. 11: Nifty Knitters, 11:00 AM Oct. 11: Author Talk: Mary Lawrence, 6:00 PM Oct. 13: Times for 2s and 3s, 10:15 AM

Oct. 13: Teen Thursdays, 2:30 Oct. 13: Sit & Knit Hats, 3:30 PM Oct. 14: Teen Gaming, 2:30 PM Oct. 15: Storytime at the Farmer's Market, Drop-In 9:00-10:00 AM Oct. 17: Peek-a-Book Babies Storytime, 10:15 AM Oct. 17: Nonfiction Book Group, Dead Wake by Erik Larsson, 6:30 PM Oct. 18: Family Storytime, 10:15 AM Oct. 18: Nifty Knitters, 11:00 AM Oct. 18: Halloween Beadcraft, 4:00 PM Oct. 18: Teen Movie Night, 5:00 PM Oct. 20: Time for 2s & 3s, 10:15 AM Oct. 20: Teen Thursdays, 2:30 PM Oct. 20: Sit & Knit Hats, 3:30 PM Oct. 21: Teen Gaming, 2:30 PM Oct. 22: Tail Waggin' Tutor, 10:00 AM Oct. 24: Peek-a-Book Babies Storytime, 10:15 AM Oct. 24: Artist Reception: Sandra Regan, 5:30 Oct. 25: Family Storytime, 10:15 AM Oct. 25: Nifty Knitters, 11:00 AM Oct. 25: Adult Book Dicussion: The Ocean at the End of the Lane, 1:00 PM Oct. 25: Trustee Meeting (Open to the Public), 7:00 PM Oct. 26: Legos Club, 4:00 PM Oct. 26: Chair Chi, 2:30 PM Oct. 26: Trivia Night, 6:30 PM Oct. 27: Time for 2s & 3s, 10:15 AM Oct. 27: Teen Thursdays, 2:30 PM Oct. 27: Sit & Knit Hats, 3:30 PM Oct. 28: Teen Gaming, 2:30 PM Oct. 29: Storytime at the Farmer's Market, Drop-In 9:00-10:00 AM Oct. 31: Peek-a-Book Babies Storytime, 10:15 AM



Young Kennebunk patrons, Haley and Nicholas, decided to open a lemonade stand on Saturday, August 27 to raise money for the Library. Their hard work raised \$25.00 which they donated to their much-loved Library. Thank you so much Haley and Nicholas!

STAY CONNECTED:

