

Kennebunk Free Library

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**KENNEBUNK
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The Sleuth Group

The Sleuth Group is now accepting applications for genealogy help online. For more information about this Library fundraiser, please call 207-985-2173 or email us.

Opera at the KFL



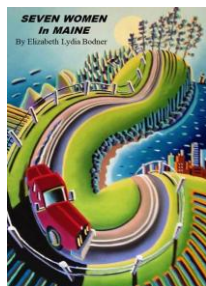
Greetings!

Did you know that February is National Library Lovers' Month? You are receiving this newsletter because you probably *are* a library lover! There are many ways to show your library love, and we'll return your love with a \$.50 off fines coupon.



Author Elizabeth Lydia Bodner at KFL

Local author Elizabeth Lydia Bodner will be at KFL on **Feb. 8 at 11 AM** to discuss her writing and sign copies of her newest book. Bodner, a resident of Kennebunk since 1999, is a freelance writer and author of three books. Her first - Uncompromising: Family Style - published in 1997, made the Maine Writers and Publishers Alliance bestseller list. It was followed by a sequel - Equilibrium - in 2005.



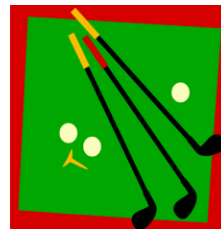
Seven Women in Maine, Bodner's most recent book is a fiction/nonfiction hybrid. The story follows a fictional couple as they travel around the country. When they arrive in Maine, they meet the seven women referenced in the title, all real people. The story includes excerpts of interviews and biographical sketches of the women. It is illustrated by Kennebunk native, Wade Zahares

Copies of Bodner's book will be available to purchase at the reading. Coffee and light refreshments will be served. If the library is closed due to the weather, the event will be postponed until Feb. 22, still at 11 AM. Cancellations will be posted on the library website before 9 AM.

For more information about this or any of our programs, call the library at (207) 985-2173, email us, or visit our website.

KFL's 2nd Annual Mini-Golf Weekend

- **Sat., March 8--Over 21 Only!
6 PM- 10 PM**
- **Sun., March 9--Open to All!
11 AM - 4 PM**



The library will again be transformed into a sprawling 18-hole mini-golf course on both floors.

Tickets for Saturday night--over 21 only--are \$18 each and include 18 holes of golf, light supper and beverages. Raffles

The second half of our opera season continues on **Sat. Feb. 22 at 1 PM** with Rossini's *Compte Ory*. All are held on Saturdays at 1 PM. There will be a short intermission between acts.

The remaining dates in our season:

- Sat. March 8
- Sat. March 22
- Sat. March 29 (snow date if needed)

This program is sponsored in part by the Friends of the Library. No reservations are needed for this free program. FMI, please call (207) 985-2173 or [email us](mailto:us).



Legos Club
Wed., Feb. 19 @ 2 PM
For Younger Children
Ages 4-8
Come build with us!

We will provide the Legos, you bring your imagination! Legos Club for children ages 4-8 on **Wed., Feb. 19 at 2 PM**. Pre-registration is required as space is limited. Call the Children's Room at 985-2173 x-5 or [email us](mailto:us) to reserve your spot.



Legos Club
Tues., Feb. 25 @ 4 PM
Ages 6+
Come build with us!

KFL's Legos Club will meet on **Tues., Feb. 25 at 4 PM**. Join us for a building challenge and create a "Creature." Will it be an animal we know or have

and a cash bar will be available. Your ticket stub will gain you 1/2 price admission on Sunday, so return with your kids for an afternoon of mini-golfing!

Tickets for Sunday are \$8 each for adults, \$5 for kids 12 & under, and those under 2 play free. The "clubhouse" will host many free activities for children including face painting, music, games, and a special visit from Baxter the Cat - the mascot for Maine libraries. Raffles, snacks and beverages will be available.

Interested in sponsoring a hole (\$150) tee (\$50) or obstacle (\$25)? Call us at 985-2173.

Tickets on sale NOW at the KFL adult services desk. Purchasing tickets in advance is recommended, but they will also be available for sale at the door.

New Temporary Expanded Hours Continue

Our temporary weekday hours will continue until the end of February: Mon.-Thurs. 1-8 PM; Fri. 1-6 PM; Sat. 9:30-5 PM and Sun. 1-5 PM. We will **not be open on Sun., Feb. 16** due to the holiday weekend. We hope that this may enable more people to visit the library during this renovation.



KFL Now Provides Computer & Technology Support!

Trouble with...

- Facebook?
- Twitter?
- Email?
- Software?
- Word Processing?

A staff member will work one-on-one with you, helping to solve your technology questions and issues.



First come, first served. No sign up is necessary. Assistance will be available from 3 PM to 4 PM each Thursday--check in at the Adult Circulation desk.

For more information, please call 985-2173 or email Molly.

KFL Seeks Applicants for KFL Board of Trustees

The KFL Board of Trustees is currently welcoming individuals with a passion for their local library to apply to join the Board of Trustees. As a Trustee, you will team with other members in preserving and advancing the interests of KFL. The Board represents the broader community by effectively governing the operations and promoting the development of KFL. The responsibilities of Board Members include preparing for and attending regular Board meetings, assisting in annual fund raising events (the Annual Fund, KFL Road Race, concerts, etc), participating in



you discovered a new species? The KFL Lego Club is open to ages 6 and up; pre-registration is required by calling 985-2173 x-5 or by [emailing us](#) at to reserve your space.

the development and approval of library policies, and acting as an advocate for the library through contacts with civil groups and public officials.

All persons 18 years of age who are legal residents and/or employed within the Towns of Kennebunk and Arundel are eligible to serve on the Board and are encouraged to apply.

Parenting Class



Stevie Westmoreland LMFT, LCPC, leads a Parenting Class on **Fri., Feb. 21 at 10:00 AM**, held next door at the UU Church. Many thanks to the Church for accommodating us while our HVAC work continues.

Each month, a different topic is discussed. Join Stevie and other parents for an enlightening discussion and support.

For more information, Trustee job description and a nomination form, please visit our [website](#) or stop by our circulation desk for printed information.



Nifty Knitters @ KFL

Bring a project you are working on (knitting, crocheting, sewing, embroidering, or other handicrafts), or come learn from the very beginning. Learn from others, while enjoying the company of other

"crafty" people. Knitting help will be available.

Until our HVAC system is completely installed, Nifty Knitters will meet weekly on **Thursday afternoons at 2 PM**, in our Reference Room. No registration required, just drop by for as long as you like. FMI - call the library at (207) 985-2173 or e-mail [Krissy](#).

Free Tax Help Available



Every Thursday from Feb. 6th though April 10th, 9:30 AM to Noon, free tax assistance is available to the public. During the month of February, the library is closed in the mornings due to construction, but we will open our doors for those seeking tax help.

Tax help has been provided for many years at the KFL courtesy of AARP, who provides annual training to their representatives. Tax help sessions are on a first-come, first-served basis; no reservations are taken. Services include answering your tax questions and e-filing your return. Please bring with you your previous year's returns and any other related tax documentation.

The KFL provides copies of some of the most frequently used IRS tax forms. The state of Maine does not provide any state tax forms to the Library-copies are available to patrons only by calling (207/624-7894), writing your requests (mail to: Maine Revenue Services, PO Box 9107, Augusta, ME 04332-9107) or ordering [online](#).

You may also download forms from the Maine government [website](#). The Library offers its computers for downloading these forms for a 25¢ per page fee. KFL Staff can help you download forms from the internet; however, staff cannot help you with your tax related questions.



Children's Storytimes Mondays & Thursdays 10:15 AM @ the UU Church

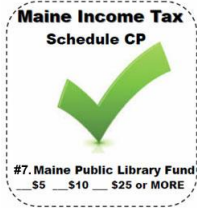
Beginning are currently being held NEXT DOOR at the UU Church while our HVAC work continues. We'll meet in the Church Parlor (on the first floor of the Church). We'll offer books, songs and circle games appropriate for a wide range of ages. Each storytime will be open to all ages.

In case of inclement weather, storytime cancellations will be listed on the Library website by 9 AM. We hope to return to our age-specific storytimes in the Library in March.



Gaming at the Library Fridays @ 3 PM

A weekly drop-in program for Wii electronic games including Super Smash Brothers Brawl and Wii Sports Resort.



This year, tax payers have an opportunity to help Maine Libraries by making a voluntary contribution using Schedule CP. How do these funds help? Proceeds from the 2013 tax check-off supported the purchase of additional Ebooks for the Maine InfoNet Download Library. Depending on the amount of funds raised, the check-off could also support:

- Expanding interlibrary loan support
- Creating new library programming
- Supporting special consultant services from which all can benefit
- And so much more!

Cosplay Workshop

Feb. 20th
@ 3:30
PM



Our Teen Librarian will present a workshop for students in grades 6-12 who are interested in learning about cosplay, the art and practice of wearing costumes to portray characters from anime, manga, or graphic novels. This workshop also includes information on attending anime conventions. Please pre-register by calling 985-2173 x5 or by [emailing us](mailto:us).

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New! Board Game Night at KFL!

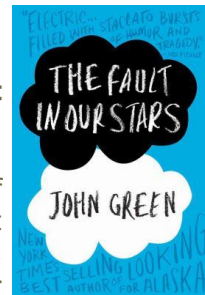


Teens and adults can join in the fun on the second Wednesday of the month at 6 PM. We'll provide the games and popcorn (but feel free to bring your own game if you'd like)! This month, game night will be **Wed., Feb. 12 at 6 PM**. See you there!

YA (at Heart) Book Group

Our next meeting will be on **Wed., Feb., 19 at 6:30 PM, reading**

The Fault in our Stars by John Green. Copies of the book are available to borrow at the adult circulation desk. If you prefer an audio edition, let us know - we can order one for you. For more information, [email](mailto:us) us or call at (207) 985-2173.



Family Yoga Tues., Feb. 18 at 4 PM Ages 4 & up

We will be offering a Family Yoga Class on **Tues., Feb. 18 at 1:30 PM** for children ages 4 & up and their adult. Are you looking for a fun indoor activity to get out of the cold? Would you like to try something new in a safe, supportive environment? Consider joining Ms. Susan, Registered Yoga Teacher, at the Library for 45 minutes of family fun with

KFL Friends

KFL once again finds itself in transition in regards to our Friends organization, and we express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the outgoing officers and all the volunteers who have served as Friends of the Library throughout the years.



The Friends support our library by organizing donated books for sale as well as helping to promote the library in our community. The library recently accepted a check for \$8853.01 which represents the proceeds from recent successful Friends' book sales.

Please contact the library if you are interested in helping with the ongoing book sale or the book sales planned for May Day, May 3rd and July 26th. There is a lot to be done before, during and after the book sales.

your loved ones.

Connect with your breath as we stretch and create animal and structural poses, either individually, with a partner, or in a group. Bring a mat if you have one and a blanket for Resting Pose. Pre-registration and waiver are required. Call the Children's Room at 985-2173 x-5 or email to reserve a spot for your family.

What's in the box?

February 21st @ 2 PM

For students in grades 6-8



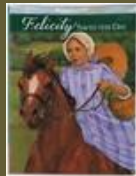
Find out what's inside the box with Ralph O'Brien from Customized Computer Design! Open up computers and discover the major components inside. Please pre-register by calling 985-2173 x5 or by emailing us.



Wed. Feb. 26 @ 6:30 PM

Join in the brain-straining fun!

American Girl Book Club



On Wed., Feb. 5 at 4 PM, the American Girl Book Club will meet to discuss *Felicity Saves the Day!* We have extra copies of the book available for children to read ahead of time. Children in grades 2-5 are discovering what life in

February Calendar of Events

- Feb. 1: Genealogy Group, 10 AM
- Feb. 3: Storytime @ the UU Church, 10:15 AM
- Feb. 3: Homeschooling Group, 2 PM
- Feb. 4: Teen Advisory Board, 3:30 PM
- Feb. 4: Teen Movie Night, 5:30 PM
- Feb. 5: American Girls Book Club, 4 PM
- Feb. 6: Tax Help, 9:30 AM
- Feb. 6: Storytime @ the UU Church, 10:15 AM
- Feb. 6: Nifty Knitters, 2 PM
- Feb. 6: Tech Help, 3 PM
- Feb. 6: Anime Club, 3:30 PM
- Feb. 7: Teen Gaming, 3 PM
- Feb. 8: Author Elizabeth Lydia Bodner, 11 AM
- Feb. 10: Storytime @ the UU Church, 10:15 AM
- Feb. 10: Non-Fiction Book Group, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 12: Board Game Night, 6 PM
- Feb. 13: Tax Help, 9:30 AM
- Feb. 13: Storytime @ the UU Church, 10:15 AM
- Feb. 13: Nifty Knitters, 2 PM
- Feb. 13: Tech Help, 3 PM
- Feb. 14: Teen Gaming, 3 PM
- Feb. 16: LIBRARY CLOSED
- Feb. 17: LIBRARY CLOSED
- Feb. 18: Family Yoga, 1:30 PM
- Feb. 19: Legos for Younger Children, 2 PM
- Feb. 19: YA (at Heart) Book Group, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 20: Tax Help, 9:30 AM
- Feb. 20: Storytime @ the UU Church, 10:15 AM
- Feb. 20: Nifty Knitters, 2 PM
- Feb. 20: Tech Help, 3 PM
- Feb. 20: Cosplay Workshop, 3:30 PM
- Feb. 21: Parenting Class @ the UU Church, 10 AM
- Feb. 21: What's in the Box?, 2 PM
- Feb. 21: Teen Gaming, 3 PM
- Feb. 22: Opera at KFL, 1 PM
- Feb. 24: Storytime @ the UU Church, 10:15 AM
- Feb. 25: Legos Club, 4 PM
- Feb. 25: KFL Trustees meet, 7 PM- Public Welcome
- Feb. 26: Trivia Night, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 27: Tax Help, 9:30 AM
- Feb. 27: Storytime @ the UU Church, 10:15 AM
- Feb. 27: Nifty Knitters, 2 PM
- Feb. 27: Adult Book Discussion Group, 2 PM
- Feb. 27: Tech Help, 3 PM
- Feb. 28: Teen Gaming, 3 PM

Save the date! Library Mini-Golf is returning to KFL on March 8th & 9th!

We welcome your feedback about our services and programs! Feel free to contact us via [email](#), phone (207/985-2173)

Colonial America was like
for a spirited young woman
through crafts and
discussion. Please pre-
register since space is
limited by calling 985-2173
x5 or [emailing](#) us. Dolls are
welcome to attend with their
person.

[Facebook](#) or in person.