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## Trivia Night - The Back Story



## Trivia Night at KFL--The Back Story!

Do you forget where you put your keys every morning, but remember baseball statistics and Oscar winners from before you were born? Do you play along with Jeopardy and score better than the contestants? Though your vast collection of random facts may be underappreciated in the outside world, here at KFL we understand. In fact, we

like to think that we had a small role to play in filling your brain with that trivia. That's why we are pleased to provide an outlet for it: 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. They vary in difficulty from "not bad" to "brutal." If you can't name the First Lady whose German shepherd bit a Canadian Prime Minister, don't worry - you're not alone. At a recent Trivia Night, there was a

lot of guessing. (It's Eleanor Roosevelt.) However, we guarantee that you'll be able to answer some of the questions. Most players were able to identify Georgia as the U.S. state that shares a name with a country. Despite the grumbling that breaks out over the

most difficult questions, many Trivia Night regulars grudgingly admit to enjoying them. Joe, a long-time trivia player, says that even the "brutal" questions are entertaining because he always learns something.

Click <u>here</u> to read the entire article.

## Breakfast at the Nonantum



Why not dine out for breakfast and support the KFL while eating a delicious breakfast at a local landmark? The Nonantum Resort supports local non-profit organizations and hosts fundraising breakfasts throughout the year.

On Saturday, June 15th from 7:30 to 10 AM, the KFL will be the recipient of the Community Benefit Breakfast Series. We hope that you will join us for a delicious meal in a beautiful setting. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Library.

### Steampunk for Teens

Recently a fascinating and popular subgenre of teen fiction has emerged-Steampunk. Steampunk is science-fiction fantasy set in the gas-lit world of the Victorian era. It includes an alternate history with elements of horror. Typically it features steampowered machinery with technology



# The Sweet 16 Library Race Friday, July 12 at 6 PM

The Sweet 16th Edition



REGISTER NOW for the 16th Edition Library Race on Friday, July 12, 2013; a 5K Run/Walk/Wheelchair. The race will begin at 6 PM sharp, with awards to follow at 7 PM. the first 250 registrants will receive a free t-shirt and one of our fabulous goodie bags!

Online registration is available, with NO processing fee! \$18 for Seniors (the senior discount is available online only; you must be 65+ by race day); \$20 for Adults; \$10 for Youth (14 & Under). The deadline to register online is Midnight, July 10th.

- Registrations received by mail or hand delivered: \$23 for Adults & Seniors; \$13 for Youth. DEADLINE: 8 PM July 10th
- Race day registration: \$25 for Adults & Seniors; \$13 forYouth. Race day registration opens at 4 PM and closes promptly at 5:30 PM.

Local restaurants and vendors are sponsoring a free picnic dinner for participants (a small fee is charged to those not running/walking). Beer and wine will be available for purchase with a valid ID. Picnics are always welcome so bring the whole family. A free concert by "The Mousam River Rats" will provide just the right atmosphere for this fun, family event that benefits KFL.

We also offer three different kinds of raffles for you to enter, including a unique raffle for a chance to win a private charter on the Pineapple Ketch (tickets are one for \$5, 5/\$20). Our traditional raffles includes donations are from over 40 local businesses (shop local!) and include dinner for two at the Nonantum Resort, four rounds of golf at the Webhannet Golf Club, a \$50 gift certificate to the Mann Memorial Vet Clinic, a charter on the Rugosa Coastal Lobster Tours, and much more! Click here for complete list of raffle items. Ticket prices are one for \$1 and 6/\$5. The event also includes a 50/50 raffle. Ticket sales will continue until 7 PM race day.

Tuskegee Airman @ KFL

and gadgets from the future. Fashion styles are characterized by Victorian clothing such as corsets, pocket watches, and goggles. Steampunk novels include Clockwork Angel, The City of Ember, Leviathan, Airborn, and Larklight.



This summer, teens can introduce themselves to steampunk by making steampunk paper dolls that are at once

both modern and old-fashioned. Victorian-era clothes and hairstyles, as well as gadgets like clock parts and metallic account ments will be used.

This program and many others will be part of the Teen Summer Reading Program at KFL.

New this year, we are offering prizes for teen readers. Reading as few as five books over the summer can have a significant impact for a middle school or high school student. This summer, for each hour spent reading or program attended, students entering middle school through high school can earn a raffle ticket. Raffle prizes for teens will be drawn weekly. Registration begins on June 20th by emailing us or by calling 985-2173 ext. 5.

## **Library Staff**

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The KFL proudly hosts Jim Shepard of Portland, Tuskegee Airman, on Saturday, June 22 at 10 AM. As one of the last remaining Tuskegee Airman, Jim will speak about his experiences during World War II. Now 87, Jim served in Italy from 1943 to 1944 as Staff Sgt. and chief crew mechanic. As a member of the 332nd Squadron, he saw combat in Italy and crewed the P-39 Airacobra, the

Republic P-47 Thunderbolt, and the North American P-51 Mustang fighters until the war in Europe ended in 1945.

This free presentation will be followed by a question and answer period. For more information, please <u>email</u> us or call the library at 985-2173.

# Summer Reading! Why is it so important?



Research has shown that kids who don't read over the summer start the school year behind their peers. As the school year progresses, these children don't catch up. By middle school, these children can be as far as two years behind their classmates.

One factor that contributes to the success of summer reading programs is the fact that children are reading for pleasure. There are no tests, no reports due. They can choose what they like, and develop the knack of "getting lost in a book." Public libraries encourage children to read for fun, and promote a lifelong love of reading.

Each summer, KFL offers incentives to keep children reading. Children earn prizes based upon their time spent reading. We encourage children to read magazines, comic books and graphic



novels, series books, and nonfiction books about subjects they like. Sports fans can get credit as they pore over statistics published in the sports pages of newspapers. Children who read music can count some of their time spent practicing their instrument-after all, musical notation is another written language! To help build home libraries, children who read at least 20 hours over the summer will earn a free book from the Friends of the Libraries.

To entice children, the library subscribes to ten children's magazines, from *American Girl*, to *Legos*, to *ZooBooks*. Our graphic novel collection includes *Garfield*, *Peanuts*, *Big Nate*, and *Bone*, Greek mythology, biographies, even an Action Bible. By reading for pleasure, kids keep their skills without even realizing it!

The Library offers free programming throughout the summer for readers of all ages. These programs begin the week of

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#### **KFL Board of Trustees**

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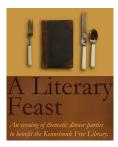
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## Literary Feast, Volume II



Save the Date!

Planning has already begun for a repeat of the popular "Literary Feast" to be held on **Saturday**, **November 16, 2013**. Area hosts will open up their homes for literary-themed dinners.

Each dinner will feature food and fun related to a specific book (reading the book is not required -it's a dinner, not a book-group!); with guests joining together to mingle with new and old friends in support of the KFL.

If you are interested in hosting a dinner, please <u>email</u> Risa, the committee chair of the event, or call the library at 985-2173.

## **Seeking New Trustees**

The KFL Board of Trustees is

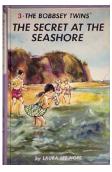
June 24 and continue through August 20. This summer's offerings include a magician, a puppeteer, Mad Science of Maine, and the Portland Symphony Orchestra. Details are available on our flyer. Registration for programs with limited space begins on the last day of school, June 20.

For further details on these and other special programs, please email or call us at 985-2173 ext. 5.

### From the Director's Desk

Some of my fondest childhood memories involve books and libraries. From storytime with my mother reading from The

Book House (a subscription series of classic children's literature tales, poetry and stories) to weekly visits to the Reading (MA) Public Library with my sister and friends to borrow the latest Nancy Drew or Bobbsey Twins titles, it is no surprise that my career path has been closely linked with reading and libraries and that they continue to play a central part of my life.



As Director of KFL, I assist in the development of the adult print, audio and DVD collections purchasing popular, requested and acclaimed titles to keep the collection relevant and balanced. I am honored to lead a dedicated and welltrained staff who is committed to assisting each patron with their informational, recreational and educational needs. I also have the privilege of working closely the members of the Board of Trustees who provide leadership and support in setting policy, fundraising, and promoting the library as well as with a group of outstanding volunteers who provide varied tasks from collating mailings to assisting with Friends of the Library book sales.

It takes many people to support a library that serves a community as well as KFL does. We count on patrons, summer residents, and other community members to help us reach ambitious fundraising goals throughout the year. On June 30, we will wrap up our FY 13 Annual Appeal. We are close to reaching our goal of raising \$59,000 and appreciate your support. If you haven't yet made a contribution, we hope you will consider doing so and become part of this great community treasure.

~~ Jill LeMay

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.

For more information, Trustee job description and an application, please visit our website, stop by our circulation desk for printed information, or email us.

#### JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

6/1 Ancestors Road Show. 10 AM-12:30 PM

6/3 Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 AM

6/3 Homeschooling Group, 2 PM

6/3 Non-fiction Book Group,

Quiet: the power of introverts in a world that can't stop talking by Susan Cain 6:30 PM

6/4 Family Storytime, 10:15 AM

6/4 Teen Advisory Board, 3:30 PM

6/4 Teen Movie Night, Beautiful Creatures PG-13, 5:30

6/6 Time for 2's & 3's, 10:15 AM

6/7 Gaming at the Library, 3:30 PM

6/11 Town on Kennebunk Budget Vote, 8 AM-8 PM

6/12 Arundel Town Meeting, 7 PM

6/14 Gaming at the Library, 3:30 PM

6/15 Breakfast at the

PM

Nonantum Resort, 7:30-10AM

6/21 Gaming at the Library, 3:30 PM

6/21 Kennebunk ArtWalk, 5-8 PM

6/22 Jim Shepard,

Tuskegee Airman, 10 AM

6/24 Storytime Yoga, 10:30 AM 6/25 Summer Storytime, 10:15 AM

6/25 Norman Ng, Magician, 6:30 PM

6/26 Trivia Night, 6:30 PM

6/27 Summer Storytime, 10:15 AM

6/27 O'er the Ramparts, star origami, 2

6/25 KFL Trustees Meeting, 7 PM

6/27 Adult Book Discussion, 11:15 AM