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Adult Book Discussion Thursday, May 26, 11:15 AM Jonathan Safran Foer's Everything Is Illuminated Copies available to borrow. Drop-Ins are always welcome!

Speers Gallery Artists in May Kennebunk High School Mixed Media Public Reception, Wed. May 4, 5-7 PM

Don't forget...Trivia Night! 5/25 6:30 PM

Inside Youth Services

Faerie Festivities!

The last day to bring in faerie houses is May 3rd. Judging will be in the wee morning hours of May 4th. Missed the deadline? Bring nature alive in your own yard or nearby woods. Find a special place and create a home with your children. Sit by the home throughout the summer, and see if it is being used!

Our annual Faerie Festival will be on Saturday May 7th. The Seacoast Garden Club will make flower crowns with chil- • Family Storytime dren from 9:30 to 10:30 AM. The stories, songs and awards • Time for Two's & Threes will take place at 10:30 AM.

costume, and then attend the regular Storytimes. Maypole Dance in Lafayette Park at noon! We hope you will ioin us!



Storytimes

Our regular storytimes will return May 9th through June 9th with our established schedule:

- Peek-a-Book Babies Mondays @ 10:15 AM
- Tuesdays @ 10:15 AM
- Thursdays @ 10:15 AM

You are welcome to come in No need to pre-register for our

Homeschooling Group

Our monthly Homeschooling Group will meet on May 2nd from 1-3 PM. This is a drop-in group offering ideas and support to families experienced with homeschooling, or considering it for the first time. This month. Bernie will discuss Marvel databases, available to all Maine residents with a library card. Marvel offers print-based resources online. Learn how to access reputable sources for projects, research papers, even health and stock information!

Teen Zone

Teen Movie Night May 3rd 5:30 PM

Due to the terms of our license, we cannot publicize the title of the movies we show, but we can give a brief synopsis of the April movie. The year is After Colony 196, and for one year the Earth and its colonies have experienced an unprecedented age of peace. No longer needing their weapons of war, the Gundams are jettisoned into the sun. However, even in the silence of space, the drums of war can once again be heard. Rallying behind a new leader, the Barton Foundation has once again risen to threaten the peace of the Earth Sphere. As the conflict spirals towards its climax, the pilots must recover their Gundams before they reach the sun, and put an end to the conflict. As always, free pizza is served courtesy of the Friends of the Library.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB) May 16th 3:30 PM

TAB members help to make the library a special place for teens and tweens. They recommend books and movies for the teen collection, help plan fun and exciting teen programs, and discuss current trends in technology. New members are always welcome. FMI please visit kennebunklibrary.org or call 985-2173 x 5.

Page Turners May 17th 3:30 PM

This monthly book discussion group for students in grades 6-8 discusses topics from the book, acts out parts of the story, and does various crafts and activities related to the theme. Copies of the books are available to borrow. This month's selection is *Lizzie Bright and the* Buckminster Boy by Gary D. Schmidt. "In 1911, Turner Buckminster hates his new home of Phippsburg, Maine, but things improve when he meets Lizzie Bright Griffin, a girl from a poor, nearby island community founded by former slaves that the town fathers--and Turner's --want to change into a tourist spot." Please pick up your copy of the book in the Children's Room.



Anime Club May 26th 3:30 PM

Anime Club, for students in grades 6-12, includes practice drawing in the anime style, Asian inspired crafts, and manga and anime film discussion. KFL Anime Club also receives free monthly anime DVD's from Operation Anime, which are viewed at each meeting.

Gaming at the Library 3:00 PM

Gaming is a weekly gaming group that includes electronic games and fantasy board games, that offers Wii sports, Wii Sports Resort, Super Smash Brothers Brawl, and Rock Band 2. This popular gaming program.

14th Edition Run/Walk

"A great race...wonderful course...shade, water support, great band, best after-race feed...and most importantly, the Kennebunk Free Library is worth every step of the 5 K. They are great folks."—Lou D.

■ REGISTER NOW For the 14th Edition Library Race on Friday, July 8, 2011; a 5K Run/Walk to benefit the KFL! Free T-shirts and goodie ▶ bags will be given to the first 200 registrants, so pre-register today! Online pre-registration is strongly encouraged —\$12 for adults, \$5 for children 14 and under (+ online fee), but mail-in registration is available (\$20 for adults, \$10 for those 14 and under) as well as onsite registration on race-day from 4-5:30 PM (\$25 for adults, \$10 for those 14 and under). The race will begin at 6 PM sharp with awards to follow at 7 PM. Professional timing is provided by 3C Race Productions.

■ Help support the library while running or walking through scenic downtown Kennebunk and through Kennebunk's well known historic district. There'll be free food from local vendors for participants served on the Library's front lawn (a nominal fee is charged to those not running/walking). The event also includes a raffle with prizes from lots of local merchants and a free concert by "The Mousam River Rats"!



FMI call the Library at 985-2173 or visit www.kennebunklibrary.org.

KFL Encourages Individuals to Apply for KFL Board of Trustees Position

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.

Residents and town employees of Kennebunk and Arundel are encouraged to apply.

For more information and a nomination form, please visit our website: www.kennebunklibrary.org/kennebunk/ trustees.asp.

Read to Ride at KFL

■ KFL and Rye Airfield are partnering together ■ to offer a reading incentive program for school age kids in the community. Rye Airfield is a premier skatepark and BMX track located in Rye, New Hampshire. The basic premise of



Read to Ride is to encourage reading among school age kids. After reading five books, students receive an all day pass to Rye Airfield. For each book read, the reader will choose one of three options: write a book review of 1-2 paragraphs, provide a brief oral report to the Teen Librarian, or draw a picture of the book they have read. Once the reader earns *five* stamps they receive an all day pass to Rye Airfield (a \$33 value).

Pick up a tracking sheet at the library and start working towards collecting your five stamps!

KFL Raises Overdue Fines

■ In 1996—

- •A gallon of heating oil was 99¢
- •A postage stamp was 32¢
- •A loaf of white bread was \$1.15
- •KFL library fines were raised to 10¢

Beginning May 16th, KFL will charge 15¢ per day per item and 60¢ per day

for each Video & DVD.

or Renew Your Items On Time!

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15 years later....

- Heating oil is \$3.85 a gallon •A postage stamp is 44¢
- ·White bread is \$2.99

Sun Mon Tu We Th Fri Sat 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 YOU CAN AVOID FINES—Return or Renew Your Items On Timel

Let's Talk About It

The final Let's Talk About It reading and discussion group, "Family and Self in 20th Century Japanese Fiction" will meet on May 5th at 1 PM to discuss Goodbye Tsugumi by Banana Yoshimoto. It is facilitated by Patricia Parker, a former university professor with experience teaching in Japan and South Korea.

Books are still available to borrow at the adult circulation desk.

Don't miss this opportunity to explore a culture through its literature, and to meet people who enjoy the same!



Calendar of Events

5/30 LIBRARY CLOSED

Peek-a-Book Babies: Mondays at 10:15 AM (starting 5/9); Family Storytime: Tuesdays at 10:15 AM (starting 5/10); Time for 2's & 3's: Thursdays at 10:15 AM (starting 5/12); Teen Gaming: Every Friday, 3 PM-4:45 PM.

<u>May</u>			

5/2 Homeschooling Group, 1 PM

5/3 Teen Movie Night, 5:45 PM

5/4 Computer Class. 11 AM

5/4 Speers Gallery Artists reception, 5 PM

5/5 Let's Talk About It, 1 PM

5/7 Faerie Festival,

Crown making, 9:30 AM Faerie Program, 10:30 AM

5/7 Friends Book & Bake Sale, 8:30 AM

5/11 Computer Class, 11 AM

5/13 Writers Group, 10 AM

5/14 Genealogy Group, 10 AM

5/16 Teen Advisory Board, 3:30 PM

5/17 Page Turners, 3:30 PM

5/18 Computer Class, 11 AM

5/25 Trivia Night, 6:30 PM

5/26 Adult Book Discussion, 11:15 AM 5/26 Anime Club. 3:30 PM Library Hours:

Mon. 9:30-8 Thurs. 9:30-5 Tues. 9:30-8 Fri. 9:30-5 Weds. 12:30-8 Sat. 9:30-5

Speers Gallery Artists for May: Kennebunk High School Students Mixed Media

KFL Display case for May: The New School Seashore Trolley Museum

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Kennebunk Free Library Annual Appeal

We invite you to join your friends, family, and neighbors in supporting the Kennebunk Free Library 2011 Annual Appeal Campaign. We pride ourselves in being a cornerstone of the Kennebunk community and have set our goal to raise \$52,000 by June 30, 2011. We are counting on the support of our patrons and community to help us continue to provide the collections and services that inspire and enrich our community!

KFL is a non-profit organization funded through both public and private contributions. Approximately 74% of Library operations are funded by the Town of Kennebunk with additional support from the Town of Arundel. Each year, the Trustees and Staff fundraise nearly \$100,000 in private donations to provide a significant part of the annual budget.





If you have supported the Annual Appeal in the past, thank you! We are hopeful that you will continue to give again this year. If you haven't given in the past, we hope you will consider answering our Annual Appeal.

Grants Awarded!

- Elmina Sewall Foundation
- Virginia Hodgkins Somers Foundation
- Maine State Library
- Maine Humanities Council
- Kennebunk Savings Community Ballot Program

Collaborations!

Town of Kennebunk

RSU21

Duffy's Tavern

Project AWARE Maine Humanities Council
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s Council York County Coast Star

AARP volunteers offering tax help

New This Year!

- Downloadable eBooks for Sony's eReader, Barnes & Noble's Nook, Borders' Kobo and others
- Follow KFL on Facebook and Twitter
- Monthly KFL Genealogy, Teen Anime and Homeschooling Groups
- Monthly deliveries to Pine Bluff Housing and other senior living facilities

2009 / 2010 by the Numbers!

- 179,224 items were borrowed—that's more than 5 books for every seat at Fenway Park and a 4.6% increase over last year's record-breaking number! 11,451 people used our public computers
- 8,521 active patrons 223 children participated in the Summer Reading Program
- 56,153 items make up the collection 6,474 people attended 390 programs
- Over 150 people attended the 2010 Faerie Festival
- 203 adults participated in the Adult Summer Reading Program and events

Thank you for your continued support of the Kennebunk Free Library!

Your Donation is a Gift to Your Community - Thank You



