

Kennebunk Free Library

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**KENNEBUNK
FREE LIBRARY**



Reading Room Circle



If you are a customer of Kennebunk Savings, you may help support KFL by casting your vote in the [Kennebunk Savings Customer Ballot](#)

An easy way to avoid overdue fines

KFL now offers email alerts for items that will be due soon! We have upgraded our system to enable these courtesy notices sent directly to your inbox!

Hello!

April is a full month here at KFL! We hope that you help us celebrate National Library Week, and are able to attend one of our many events. Don't forget to check out our dafodills and crocuses at our entrance!

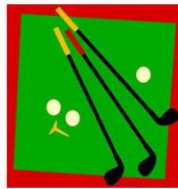
Kennebunk Free Library's 1st Annual Trustees' Mini-Golf Tournament

Sunday, April 7th
11 AM – 4 PM

Tickets: \$8 Adults;
\$5 Kids (12 & Under);
Under 2 play free
Pizza, Popcorn, Fruit &
Beverages available for
purchase. Raffles & Children's
activities at the 19th hole.

TICKETS
NOW
ON SALE!

An 18-hole
Course—
inside the
Library!



Interested in
Sponsoring a fairway
or obstacle?
Call
207-985-2173



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Sunday, April 7 from
11 AM to 4 PM--inside
the library!

The library will be transformed into a sprawling 18-hole

mini-golf course, covering both floors. The fun doesn't stop when the score card is full! 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](#) will be held for golfers of all ages and pizza, popcorn, fruit and beverages will be available for purchase.

Tickets on sale NOW at the KFL adult services desk – \$8 for adults; \$5 for children 12 and under; and free for kids under 2. Purchasing tickets in advance is recommended, but they will also be available at the door. Click [here](#) for more information.

KFL Now Lends Laptop Computers!



Thanks to the State of Maine's Broadband Initiative, we are now lending laptops for use within the Library! A valid ID or credit card is required as well as a signed borrower's agreement. We are very excited to offer this service to our patrons!

At the same time, you may opt to receive information about upcoming programs and events, news alerts, artists' receptions, classes, etc. Click [here](#) to start!



"Picture Books" by artist Gary Alsum

Donated by Sally &

James H. Toffey

April Book Groups For Adults



Thurs. 4/4 @ 1 PM
Empire Falls
by Richard Russo

Mon. 4/22 @ 6:30 PM
The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness
by Michelle Alexander

Thurs. 4/25 @ 11:15 AM
Elegance of the Hedgehog
by Muriel Barbery



School Vacation Week
KinderYoga
Ages 2-5 with a caregiver
Tues. April 16 at 2 PM

KLF's Genealogy Group Sat. April 6th, 10 AM to NOON



Leading Acadian genealogist and historian Lucie LeBlanc Consentino will present "Acadian History and Genealogy" at the April meeting.

Consentino is a respected genealogist who has been published in several Acadian, American, and French-Canadian genealogy journals. Consentino's [website](#), is known for providing reliable, original, and comprehensive genealogical data.

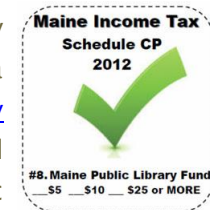
The presentation is free and open to anybody interested in exploring Acadian history. No registration is required. For more information, please call the Library at (207) 985-2173, or [email](#) us.

Support Maine Public Libraries with a donation on your Maine Income Tax Form

For the first time, the 2012 Maine State Income Tax (Voluntary Contributions) Form CP includes a check-off for the [Maine Public Library Fund](#).

By law all contributions received must be used to help Maine public libraries. This fund, administered by the Maine State Library, has the potential to help public libraries like KFL with new eBook content, interlibrary loan support, continuing education, and many other services.

Interested taxpayers can check #8 Maine Public Library Fund on Schedule CP to make a donation which will mean so much to Maine's public libraries.



Earth Day Teen Library Cleanup Wed. April 17 at 2 PM

Teen Library Clean Up was initiated by KFL's Tween Advisory Board to honor Earth Day. Equipped with rakes, trash bags and gloves, teens will clean up the lawns and surrounding landscape of the library.

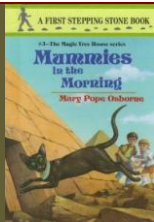


Following the clean up, a pizza party to thank the clean up crew will be held in Hank's Room. Outdoor clean up begins at 2 PM; Pizza Party at 3:30 PM. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring the Pizza Party!

A fun yoga class based upon animal movements led by Ms. Susan, RYT. Pre-registration and a waiver are required.
Call or [email](#) to reserve a spot for your child.



**Legos Club Ages 6 +
Tues. April 30 at 4 PM**
Please preregister
[by email](#)
!
or phone (985-2173 x
5). Space is limited.



**Magic Tree House
Book Club
Grades K-4
Wed. Apr 10 at 4 PM**

Mummies in the Morning
by Mary Pope Osborne
Children can travel back to the ancient Egypt pyramid of Queen Hutepi, and through the story will be introduced to ancient Egyptian customs and pyramids.
The story will come alive with crafts inspired by Osborne's *Mummies & Pyramids*.
Extra copies of the book are available to borrow.

Please [preregister](#) so we have enough for everyone.



Spring Wish List

If you are upgrading your lawnmower or weed whacker this spring, please consider donating your old one to KFL

Rain date is April 23, at 3:30 PM. FMI email [teen services](#).

NEW! Teen Trivia Night



A trivia contest for students in grades 6–12 will be held on **Tuesday, April 16th at 6 PM**. Teens can play alone or team up with friends. The contest will consist of twenty trivia questions with subjects ranging from history, pop culture, music, movies, and technology. Come join us!

Faerie Festival News

It's been a long, snowy winter, and the fairies are going to need encouragement to return to our garden--please help us to welcome them back at the Faerie Festival on **Sat. May 4, 9:30 to 11 AM**. Seacoast Garden Club members will help with making flower crowns, and we will have other crafts and activities. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for supplying the flowers for the crowns!



In preparation for the Faerie Festival, children can bring in fairy houses that they make to display at the Library. We'll begin accepting houses on **April 16–30**. This year, certificates will be given when you pick up your fairy house to take home.

Faerie Houses should be made on bases no larger than 14" x 14," 30 inches tall, and be constructed of all *natural materials*. A selection of building materials is available in the Children's Room. Faerie Houses will be on display until Sat. May 18. Stop in and see how creative our children are!

Explore Letters, Words, and Stories...

Share the Love of Reading



Maine's Comprehensive State Literacy Plan

You are invited to a special workshop to help families in their journey to make reading an important part of their children's lives. We hope that you will consider joining us at one of the parent sessions listed below and learn ways to share the love of reading. The [Literacy for ME](#) initiative has brought together schools, libraries, adult education, preschools, and United Way, in an effort to engage our community in promoting literacy.

Three sessions are available:

(in good working condition, please). Please contact our Maintenance Manager if you can help us. Thanks!



Leprechauns,
Fairies &
Gnomes, Oh
My!



Age 4 & up
Fri. April 19 at 1 PM

Get ready for our Faerie Festival with crafts, stories, songs and more!
Please preregister so we have enough supplies for everyone.

Mon. April 8, 1 PM in Hank's Room at the [Kennebunk Free Library](#)

Tues. April 9, 9 AM in the Library at the [Mildred L. Day School](#)

Wed. April 10, 1:30 PM in the Pasco Room at [Louis T. Graves Memorial Library](#) in Kennebunkport

"Teaching literacy involves the determined efforts of many individuals and organizations, starting with the parents, grandparents, older siblings, and caregivers who engage in rich conversations and spark a love of books...." (ME Dept of Education) Questions? Please email events@rsu21.net.



Join KFL in celebrating
National Library
Week

Tues. to Sat., April 20-26

This year's Library Week theme is: "Communities Matter @ Your Library." In that spirit, KFL will be hosting a **food drive** to benefit the local food pantry. Patrons will benefit as well. Contribute a nonperishable food item to the drive and KFL will forgive half of your existing fines.

The annual Book Bundle Raffle is back! For each visit to KFL during Library Week, you will receive one free ticket to win the bundle of your choice. There are bundles for kids, teens, and adults, covering a variety of interests. Visit every day to increase your chances!

Have you lost your library card? Or is your card held together by duct tape? Library Week is the time to replace it - the usual card replacement fee will be waived.



For special fun, have your own READ poster created with photo and background of your choosing for a \$5 donation for 8 1/2"x11" size, \$10 for 11"x17" size. Our new software will help create this fun keepsake (or gift!)

For more information, please call the Library at 985-2173 or [email](#) us.

Star Wars Club

Wed. May 29, at 3:30 PM

This club for students in grades 6–12 is for those who appreciate all things Star Wars, including, but not limited to, movies, games, and Star Wars–based fiction. The group meets on the last Wednesday of each month. Please join in!



Preregistration is required: call 985–2173 x5 or email [teen services](#).

April 2013 CALENDAR

- 4/1 Peek–a–Book Babies, 10:15 AM
- 4/1 Homeschooling Group, 2 PM
- 4/2 Family Storytime, 10:15 AM
- 4/2 Teen Advisory Board, 3:30 PM
- 4/2 Teen Movie Night, 5:30 PM
- 4/4 Free Tax Help, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- 4/4 Let's Talk About It Book Discussion, 1 PM
- 4/4 Anime Club, 3:30 PM
- 4/5 Teen Gaming, 3 PM
- 4/6 Genealogy Group, 10 AM
- 4/6 Opera at KFL, 1 PM
- 4/7 LIBRARY MINI–GOLF, 11 AM–4 PM
- 4/8 Peek–a–Book Babies, 10:15 AM
- 4/8 Literacy for ME Parent Workshop, 1 PM
- 4/9 Family Storytime, 10:15 AM
- 4/10 Magic Tree House Book Club, 4 PM
- 4/11 Free Tax Help, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- 4/12 Teen Gaming, 3 PM
- 4/13 Speers Gallery Artist Reception, 2:30 PM
- 4/15 LIBRARY CLOSED
- 4/16 Family Storytime, 10:15 AM
- 4/16 Kinder Yoga, 2 PM
- 4/16 Teen Trivia, 6 PM
- 4/17 Teen Library Clean Up, 2 PM
- 4/18 Anime Club, 3:30 PM
- 4/19 Parenting Class, 9:30 AM – 11 AM
- 4/19 Leprechauns, Fairies, Gnomes, 1 PM
- 4/19 Teen Gaming, 3:30 PM
- 4/22 Non–fiction Book Group, 6:30 PM
- 4/23 Teen Library Clean Up, 2 PM (Rain Date)
- 4/24 Star Wars Club, 3:30 PM
- 4/24 Creating Innovators, 6:30 PM
- 4/24 Trivia Night, 6:30 PM
- 4/25 Adult Book Discussion, 11:15 AM
- 4/26 Teen Gaming, 3 PM
- 4/29 Friends of KFL meeting, 6:30 PM

4/30 Legos Club, 4 PM

Children's Storytimes will take a break from **April 18 to May 5** as we prepare for the Faerie Festival. Please feel free to continue to visit the library with your children during this time, to share stories, take home items, and play with the puppets and other toys.

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