



**Monthly E-Newsletter**  
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**Summer Reading Programs Are Underway**

Please make sure to [check out our brochure](#) which includes youth, teen and adult information. The Summer Reading Program *Build a Better World* will continue through August 12 and includes loads of programs and opportunities to win prizes.

**Organizational Zen**

**Get stuff done, feel more in control of your time and bring organizational peace into your life**

Join organizational habits expert Janie Downey Maxwell on **Tuesday, July 18** from 6:00-7:30 p.m. to learn how to get more done. From big projects to everyday tasks, Janie can help you bring organizational peace into your life. Please bring a pad of paper and something to write with.

What are you ready to declutter from your life? What drives you to do your best work? What secret talents do you want to share with the world? What would you like to accomplish in your time here on Earth?



Janie started Organizational Habits to share ideas, tools, and inspiration because she knows what a difference being organized has made in her life. Visit Janie's website [organizationalhabits.com](http://organizationalhabits.com) to learn more and to read her blog.

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## Anime for Adults

Do you like Anime? Do you want to learn more about it? Adults and teens are welcomed to our Anime for Adults program on **Wednesday, July 12** at 6:30 p.m. Anime is a distinctive style of animation, originating and predominantly made in Japan. You don't need to know anything about the genre; all are welcome to come and check it out. Talk about your favorite shows, learn about new ones, participate in anime-themed activities, and meet new people. Also, leave some time to browse our Anime collection and borrow some to take home with you. Snacks will be served!



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## Song and Stories for a Small Planet

How can we build a better world? Join us as we invite Jackson Gillman to entertain and educate through song with his performance *Songs and Stories for a Small Planet*. The event is **Friday, July 7** at 2 p.m.

*Songs and Stories for a Small Planet* is a celebration of nature with an eye to where we fit in and how we can help sustain our world. Sue Haley of Cape Cod National Seashore says, "It was great. I was truly impressed how [Jackson] got the whole audience involved, tentative adults as well! Everyone was fully engaged and enjoying themselves."



Call it what you like -- cabaret, vaudeville, or story/song-filled fun. Any way you slice it, Jackson Gillman's performances for families and children reach out and touch the audience, making them laugh, making them think, and leaving them delighted. Jackson incorporates song, dance, mime, and sign language into his interactive and educational performances. He brings audiences of all ages along for a rollicking ride into his wildly imaginative worlds of creative adventure.

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## Big Papi and the Kids

Local baseball columnist and author Carl Johnson will share stories from the 2016 Red Sox season when he reads from his newest book, "Big Papi and the Kids" at the Kennebunk Free Library on **Monday, July 17** at 6 p.m.

The book relives the excitement of the 2016 Red Sox season when David Ortiz led a collection of young, talented players to the American League East Championship. It follows the team's progress from the end of the disastrous 2015 season through the beginning of what may be baseball's newest dynasty.

Johnson will also offer signed copies of "The Baseball Buff's Bathroom Book Vol. 1 and Vol. 2" and "From Beer to Beards: Boston Baseball's 2011-2013 Roller Coaster Ride" for sale. "From Beer to Beards" chronicles three seasons of ups and downs for the Red Sox that culminated in a 2013 World Series win.

Carl Johnson covers Major League Baseball in his column, "Baseball World" for the Biddeford

Journal Tribune and writes as a guest columnist for several other newspapers and online publications. A lifelong student of the game, Johnson has taught several college-level courses on baseball. He lives and writes in Sanford, Maine. Baseball fans can find his blog at [baseballworldbjt.com](http://baseballworldbjt.com).

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## Design Your Own Book Cover

Though we are told from childhood to "never judge a book by its cover," we all know that a good cover will draw us right in to a book. But what about that book whose cover does not reflect who it is? The classic with the terribly plain cover, the wonderfully thought-provoking book that looks like a bit of fluff, or the beach read that looks like a daunting intellectual slog; Some books just got the short end of the stick when it comes to representative covers. We have all picked up - or not picked up - a book based on its cover, only to have our expectations dashed.

What if you could design your OWN cover for your favorite mis-represented book? Well, now you can. The Kennebunk Free Library will be having an ongoing display of new-and-improved covers for our and your favorite books, now through the end of the summer. To participate, draw/paint/photo-shop/collage a cover for a book of your choice (we will have some suggestions out on display), then bring your artwork to the library. We will make a photocopy to put on the cover (if we own the title) and put it on display!

We will have examples, ideas, and supplies on display **from July 17 through the end of the summer**, so please stop in and let your creative juices flow.

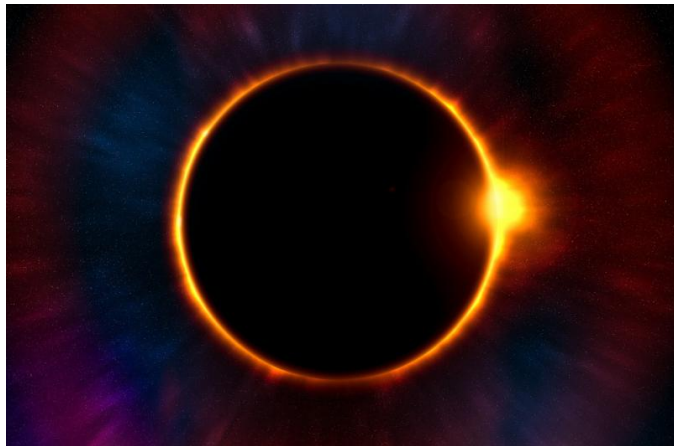
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## The Astronomical Event of the Decade

**Professor Ian Durham discusses the details of this summer's solar eclipse**

On **Tuesday, August 1** at 6:00 p.m., we will welcome Professor Ian Durham from the Astronomical Society of Northern New England to present on what experts are calling "the astronomical event of the decade." On August 21, the continental U.S. will see its first solar eclipse in almost 40 years, the first to fully cross the country since 1918. Though the path of totality will be south of us, here in Kennebunk we will still be treated to a 60% partial eclipse. Professor Durham will speak about why eclipses happen, different kinds of eclipses, how to view them safely, and what Kennebunk can expect during the "Great American Eclipse." We will have free eclipse-viewing glasses available to take home.

Ian is Professor and Chair of the Department of Physics at Saint Anselm College in Manchester, New Hampshire. His research focuses on relativistic quantum information and the foundations of physics and mathematics. In particular, he is interested in the 'big questions.' As such, he is a member of the John Templeton Foundation-funded Foundational Questions Institute (FQXi) and is the founding editor of The Quantum Times, which is a publication of the American Physical Society's Division of Quantum



Information (DQI). He recently completed a three-year term as Secretary-Treasurer of DQI, the world's largest organization dedicated to quantum information and quantum computing. He is currently serving as Treasurer of the Kennebunk-based Astronomical Society of Northern New England (ASNNE), of which he has been a member for 15 years. He lives in Kennebunk with his wife, kids, and dog where he enjoys fly fishing, softball and other pursuits in his spare time.

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## Children's Programming

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## Summer Science

July 7 - Egg Drop  
July 20 - Bottle Rockets  
August 3 - Lava Lamps

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## Farmer's Market

KFL will have a presence at each Kennebunk Farmer's Market Saturday in July; **July 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 9-11 a.m.** Stop by the say hello, ask a question or to join us for storytime at 10:00.

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## Snuggle up for Pajama Storytime

Kennebunk Free Library will be offering two Pajama Storytimes this summer. Get cozy and enjoy some stories and songs. Come dressed in your PJs and bring your favorite blanket or stuffed animal! Program dates are **7/10** and **8/2** at 6 p.m. Regularly scheduled storytime will not be held Monday morning July 10.

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## Family Game Time

Looking to spend some family time having fun? Come to Kennebunk Free Library Tuesday afternoons this summer for outdoor game time. Indoor games will be available in case of inclement weather. **July 11, July 18, July 25, August 1 & August 8.** All at 3:30 p.m.

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## Star Wars & Solar System Beadcraft

Perler Beads - tiny plastic beads that can melt - were first introduced as a craft in Sweden in the 1950's and we still love them! Children ages 6 and up are invited to join us for an afternoon of beading fun on **July 12** (Star Wars) and **August 1** (Solar System). Both at 1 p.m. Design suggestions will be offered but creativity is encouraged! [Registration is required.](#) All craft materials will be provided.

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## Yoga Building

On **Tuesday, July 10 at 10:30 a.m.** children ages 5 and up with a partner are welcome to Yoga Building. A "partner" may be a friend, a sibling, a parent or other family member, or a caregiver. Please bring a blanket for covering during Resting Pose. No experience necessary. [Registration](#) and waiver required.

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## Friendship Bracelet Workshop

On **Wednesday, July 19 at 2:30 p.m.** children ages 10 and up will learn the art of handcrafting friendship bracelets and create a piece of jewelry for yourself or a friend! All supplies provided. [Registration](#) and waiver required.

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## LEGO Club

The Lego Club is meeting on **Wednesday, July 19** at 4 p.m. Join us for an "open" building session and create-your-own designs! The Lego Club is open to children ages 5 and up, pre-registration is required. Please call the Children's Room ext. 5 or e-mail us at [ys@kennebunk.lib.me.us](mailto:ys@kennebunk.lib.me.us) to reserve your space! Come build a better world with us!

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## Firefighter Storytime

Come to storytime and meet special guests from Kennebunk Fire and Rescue on **Thursday, July 20** at 10:15 a.m. Learn about a firefighter's job and see a fire engine up close.

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## Wildlife Exploration

Families are invited on **Wednesday, July 26** at 1:00 p.m. to explore New England wildlife by getting an up-close look at animal artifacts. There will be skull, track and scat replicas, and animal pelts available to examine! Come learn about your local woodland neighbors. All ages welcome.

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## Summer Storytimes



Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 10:15 AM: (all ages) through 8/10  
No storytime Monday, July 10

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## Teen Programming

TEEN GAMING (Fridays)

**July 7 & 21**

3:00 p.m.

Come play the Wii on the KFL projector screen. Handheld devices and trading card games also encouraged.

MINECRAFT CRAFTS

**July 10**

2:30 p.m.

Drop-In for Ages 10 and up

RUBE-GOLDBERG MACHINE

**July 12**

3:30 p.m.

Drop-In for Ages 11 and up

ANIME AFTERNOON

**July 19**

4:00-5:00 p.m.

Join Melissa the teen librarian to talk about anime, learn to draw your favorite characters, watch your favorite anime files on the projection screen and everything anime in between. Candy Sushi Edition!

D.I.Y. SOLAR OVENS

**July 24**

3:30 p.m.

Drop-In for Ages 11 and up

RETURN TO HOGWARTS: 20 YEARS OF HARRY POTTER

**August 2**

3:30 p.m.

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## You're Invited to Color

In building a better world, don't forget to make it colorful! This summer, we invite you to relax and get your creative juices flowing by coloring at the library. Colored pencils and fine-point markers as well as staff-designed coloring pages are now available in the reading room for patrons and visitors of all ages to enjoy. There is also a summer reading banner everyone can collaboratively work on



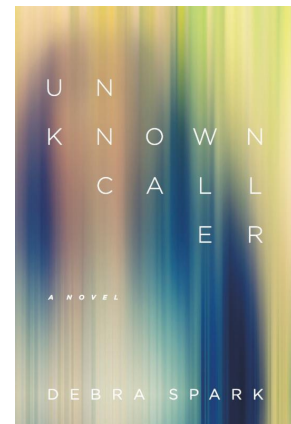
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## A Statewide Summer Reading Program with a Maine Twist

Author Debra Spark discusses her book for the Read ME program

Join Debra Spark on **Saturday, August 5** at 10 a.m. as she discusses her fourth novel, *Unknown Caller*, which was selected for the Read ME program. *Unknown Caller*, tells the story of a brief, failed marriage and its complicated aftermath. Leaping effortlessly across decades and continents, it works to uncover the reasons for Idzia and Liesel's disappearance and the deeper puzzle of Liesel's identity. Spark's candid, intricate novel highlights the near-impossibility of truly knowing another person, the pain in failing relationships, and the joy in successful ones.

Debra Spark is a senior writer for Maine Home+Design and has received several awards including a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship. She lives with her husband and son in North Yarmouth, and teaches at Colby College and in the MFA Program for Writers at Warren Wilson College.



Read ME is a new statewide summer reading program that gets Maine's adults all reading the same books - by Maine authors and recommended by a Maine author. This year's recommendations, one fiction and one non-fiction (*The Moth* by new or lesser-known Maine authors), were selected by Monica Wood.

KFL will also have a discussion of each book during their summer Adult Book Group sessions; *Unknown Caller* on Tuesday, July 25 at 1 p.m. and *The Moth* on Tuesday, August 22 at 1 p.m.

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## Book Sale

The Friends of Kennebunk Free Library is holding a book sale on **Saturday, July 22** from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. A Friends only pre-sale will be held **Friday, July 21** from 5-7 p.m.



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The 20<sup>th</sup> Edition



The last day to pre-register is July 12 at 8 p.m. in person and midnight online!

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Rent a space at our Community Yard Sale on Saturday, **August 19 from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** You'll receive prime visibility on Main Street, free advertising and all for a low cost to benefit KFL. Rent a 10'x10' space for only \$25. There are also a limited number of 30"x72" tables to rent at \$10 each. Please fill out and return the [application](#) to reserve your space.

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### ***Fun People***

Fran Foy, 1922 - 2014, was an accomplished New York artist who exhibited her work widely throughout the United States. She studied art at the National Academy of Art in New York City and at Silvermine College of Fine Art in Connecticut. She received numerous awards for her work. Her love of watercolors led to an award winning career.

Fran's daughter Wendy, now living in Kennebunk is honored to exhibit her mother's work "*Fun People*" at KFL's Speers Gallery July 1 to 30. "Mom tended to prefer a more opaque technique rather than transparent. Her watercolors are like illustrations bathed in a warm light. Vivid and well chosen cheerful colors were the stimulus of an uncommon verve in her brushstrokes that fit in with the spirit of her color palette."

Fran grew up in Detroit where she took art classes at the Detroit Art Institute every Saturday. She dreamed about the uniqueness of the shapes of houses and drew up house plans. With pencils and ruler, she tried to copy the elaborate floor plans that she saw in magazines. Upon graduation from high school, she worked at an art studio in Detroit where she was introduced to the advertising business. From there it was on to McCann Erickson in New York City to refine her advertising career.

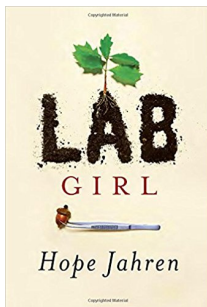
In 1942 Fran embarked on a new adventure, sharing an apartment in New York City's Greenwich Village with other girls attending the well known Pratt Institute for art studies. At the end of World War II she returned to Detroit and worked in the publicity department at WXYZ. It was there that she married, Fred Foy, famed announcer/narrator of The Lone Ranger. Three children followed and the family moved to New York City where they lived for 25 years.



While there Fran took courses at the National Academy of Art and the Art Students League. She sold her art through exhibitions and at galleries. In her later years Fran developed an interesting form of collage that utilized her watercolor painting technique. Her vibrant contemporary patterns are special in their composition and expression of color. *"I use my former stored away paintings to juxtaposition shapes, colors or figurative pieces cut out from these former works. I try to inject a little humor into my collages either by creating a story or graphic images to look like something else than originally intended; and with the final stroke or brush or pen, I try to satirize the titles."* An opening reception will be held **Tuesday July 18** from 1 to 3 PM. The public is welcome to attend.

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## Reading Groups



Nonfiction Book Discussion  
*Lab Girl* by Hope Jahren on  
**Monday, June 12 at 6:30 p.m.**

Adult Book Discussion  
*Unknown Caller* by Debra Spark on  
**Tuesday, July 25 at 1:00 p.m.**



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## Did You Know? Maine Collection: KHS Yearbooks

**Help complete our Yearbook Collection**

KFL has nearly all Kennebunk High School yearbooks from 1937-2017. We'd like to remove that "nearly" and fill in the gaps. Can you help us? We are looking for copies of yearbooks from the following graduating years: 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1980, 1984, 1997 & 2013.

If you have a yearbook copy from these years and would like to donate it to the Library, [please let us know!](#)

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## Crafting Friends

The Crafting Friends is a group open to the public that meets the first Wednesday of every month at 5:30 p.m.

The crafting friends show off their latest project: a quilt for their founder, who recently lost her husband.





## July Calendar of Events

July and August Saturdays we are open from 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

- July 3: Library CLOSED for Independence Day
- July 4: Library CLOSED for Independence Day
- July 5: Crafting Friend, 5:30 p.m.
- July 6: Summer Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- July 6: Egg Drop Challenge, 3:00 p.m.
- July 7: Jackson Gillman: Songs and Stories, 3:00 p.m.
- July 7: Teen Gaming, 3:00 p.m.
- July 8: Tail Waggin' Tutor, 10:00 a.m.
- July 10: Yoga Building, 10:30 a.m.
- July 10: Minecraft Crafts, 2:30 p.m.
- July 10: Pajama Storytime, 6:00 p.m.
- July 10: Nonfiction Book Group, 6:30 p.m.
- July 11: Summer Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- July 11: Nifty Knitters, 11:00 a.m.
- July 11: Family Games, 3:30 p.m.
- July 12: Star Wars Beadcraft, 1:00 p.m.
- July 12: Anime for Adults, 6:30 p.m.
- July 12: Discounted Pre-Registration for Road Race ends
- July 13: Summer Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- July 14: 20th Edition Road Race, 4 p.m. registration, 6 p.m. race
- July 17: Summer Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- July 17: Baseball Author - Carl Johnson, 6 p.m.
- July 18: Summer Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- July 18: Nifty Knitters, 11 a.m.
- July 18: Family Game Afternoons, 3:30 p.m.
- July 18: Let's Talk About It, 6 p.m.
- July 18: Organizational Zen, 6 p.m.
- July 19: Friendship Bracelets, 2:30 p.m.
- July 19: Anime Afternoon, 3 p.m.
- July 19: Lego Club, 4 p.m.
- July 20: Firefighter Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- July 20: Summer Science - Bottle Rockets, 3 p.m.
- July 21: Friends only pre-sale for book sale, 5-7 p.m.
- July 22: Blueberry Book Sale, 8:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.
- July 24: Summer Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- July 24: D.I.Y. Solar Ovens, 3:30 p.m.
- July 25: Summer Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- July 25: Nifty Knitters, 11 a.m.
- July 25: Adult Book Discussion, 1 p.m.
- July 25: Family Game Afternoons, 3:30 p.m.
- July 26: Wildlife Exploration, 1-4 p.m.
- July 26: Chair Chi, 2:30 p.m.
- July 26: Trivia Night at Duffy's, 6:30 p.m.
- July 27: Summer Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- July 28: Teen Gaming, 10:15 a.m.
- July 29: Every Humblest Weed, 10 a.m.
- July 31: Summer Storytime, 10:15 a.m.

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