

Kennebunk Free Library

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Hello!

Now that our first electronic newsletter has been successfully launched, we want to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated group of volunteers who have faithfully folded, stickered and stamped our paper newsletter, most of them for years! They are: Janice D'Alanzo, Maria Chiumenti, Dawn Clements, Jodi Friborg, Ellie Dunham, Jane Obermeyer, Josephine Oliver, Penny Savage, Susan Stewart, Nancy Tarrant, Ginny Welsh, and Becky Wileman (our apologies to any who we may have inadvertently missed.) A BIGthank you to you all!

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!

Genealogy Group

Sat. Feb 2nd, Noon-2 PM "Researching Your Irish Roots."

Mary Ellen Grogan is a professional genealogist living in Boston who specializes in Massachusetts and Irish genealogical and historical records.

Mary Ellen first researched in Dublin archives in 1984. (Her Reader's Card for the National Library of Ireland is number 151.) She has both participated in and led research tours in Ireland. A teacher by nature, Mary Ellen enjoys sharing her knowledge and giving others the opportunity to be successful in their research.

For more information about this free program, please [email](#) or call the Library at 985-2173. No reservations are needed.



[Reading Room Circle](#)



Want an easy way to avoid overdue fines?

Spread the word that KFL offers email alerts for items about to be due! We have upgraded our databases to enable these courtesy notices sent directly to your inbox!



Additionally, we offer you opportunities to receive information about upcoming programs and events, news alerts, artists' receptions, classes, etc.

Ask any staff member for details.



"Picture Books" by

artist Gary Alsum

Donated by Sally & James H. Toffey

February Book Groups For Adults



Thurs. 2/7 @ 1 PM--
The Weir by Ruth Moore

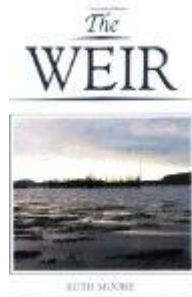
Mon. 2/11 @ 6:30 PM-
American Gospel: God, the Founding Fathers, and the Making of a Nation by Jon Meacham

Thurs. 2/28 @ 11:15 AM-
Coop by Michael Perry

Let's Talk About It Book Discussion Group

Let's Talk About It

KFL has been selected by the Maine Humanities Council to offer "Mirror of Maine: the Maine Community in Myth and Reality," a Let's Talk About It free reading and discussion group

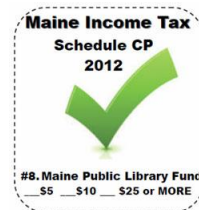


The series continues on **Feb. 7, at 1 PM** with a discussion of Ruth Moore's, The Weir in the Library's Reference Room. The remaining sessions include Joyce Butler's Wildfire Loose: The Week Maine Burned (March 7), and Richard Russo's Empire Falls (April 4).

For more information, please call the Library at 985-2173. You may register by phone (985-2173), [email](#) or in person, and then stop in to pick up the first book of the series. Don't miss this opportunity to explore Maine through its literature.

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.



Star Wars Club February 27th @ 3:30 PM

A group for students in grades 6-12 who appreciate all things Star Wars, including, but not limited to, movies, games, and Star Wars-based fiction, will meet on the last Wednesday of each month. Pre-registration is required by calling 985-2173 x5 or [emailing](#) teen services.



KinderYoga
for Ages 2-5 with Caregiver
Tues. Feb. 19 @ 2 PM

Young children are invited to experience gentle yoga along with a caregiver. Ms. Susan will lead the group in various animals poses that can both calm and energize us.

Pre-registration and a waiver form are required for each participant. Call or [email](#) to reserve a spot for your child.



Legos Club Ages 6 +
Tues. Feb. 26 at 4 PM

Please pre-register by [email](#) or phone (985-2173 x 5); space is limited.

Free Tax Help at KFL



Free tax help is available from 9:30 AM to Noon every Thursday, February 7th through April 11th.

AARP Tax-Aide is offered in conjunction with the IRS, and has been provided for many years at the KFL. 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 your Social Security card and driver's license, your previous year's returns and any other related tax documentation.

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

For more information please call the Library at 985-2173.

Opera returns to KFL!



This winter, four crowd-pleasing operas on DVD will be shown in the comfort of our elegant Reading Room. Mark your calendars now for the four showings, all held on Saturdays at 1 PM. There will be a short intermission between acts with light refreshments.

- **Sat. Feb. 23:** Puccini's *Manon Lescaut* with Renata Scotto & Plácido Domingo; directed by Gian Carlo Menotti.
- **Sat. March 9:** Humperdinck's *Hansel & Gretel* with Frederica von Stade & Judith Blegen; directed by Kirk Browning.
- **Sat. March 23:** Mozart's *Don Giovanni* with Cecilia Bartoli & Rodney Gilfry; Jürgen Flimm, Director.
- **Sat. April 6:** Mascagni's *Cavalleria Rusticana* with Plácido Domingo & Elena Obraztsova.
Leoncavallo's *Pagliacci* with Plácido Domingo & Teresa Stratas. Both are directed by Franco Zeffirelli.
- **Sat. April 27:** snow date

This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. No reservations are needed for this free program. For more information please call 207/985-2173.



Magic Tree House Book Club

Grades K-4
Wed. Feb. 13
at 4 PM
Pre-registration required.



We'll focus on the first book in the series, *Dinosaurs Before Dark* at this meeting and bring the series alive with a craft and games, and tie in Osborne's nonfiction book about dinosaurs. We've got extra copies of the title for children to read before the Feb. meeting.

Parenting Class

Stevie Westmoreland, LMFT, LCPC, leads a monthly parenting class on **Friday, Feb. 15 from 9:30 AM to 11 AM**. Each month a new topic is addressed.



Stevie Westmoreland, Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist & Professional Clinical Counselor

Although these classes build upon each other, interested individuals are invited to join at any time. Future meetings will be on the third Friday of every month. The program is FREE, and no registration is necessary. For more information, please visit Stevie's [website](#), or call her at 985-2511.

February CALENDAR

- 2/2 Cabin Fever Book Sale @ UU Church, 8 AM-Noon
- 2/2 Winter Fest Story Time & Craft, 10:30 AM
- 2/2 Genealogy Group, Noon
- 2/4 Homeschooling Group, 2 PM
- 2/5 Teen Advisory Board, 3:30 PM
- 2/5 Teen Movie Night, 5:30 PM
- 2/6 Computer Class, 10 AM
- 2/6 TED Talks @ KFL, 7 PM
- 2/7 Free Tax Help, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- 2/7 Let's Talk About It Book Discussion, 1 PM
- 2/7 Anime Club, 3:30 PM
- 2/11 Teen Writers' Group, 3 PM
- 2/11 Non-fiction Book Group, 6:30 PM
- 2/13 Computer Class, 10 AM
- 2/13 Magic Tree House Book Club, 4 PM
- 2/13 Paper Cuts Writing Group, 6 PM
- 2/14 Free Tax Help, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- 2/14 Let's Talk About It Book Discussion, 1 PM (Snow Date)
- 2/15 Parenting Class, 9:30 AM – 11 AM
- 2/18 LIBRARY CLOSED
- 2/19 KinderYoga, 2 PM
- 2/20 Computer Class, 10 AM
- 2/20 Hunger Games Party, 2 PM
- 2/21 Free Tax Help, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- 2/21 Anime Club, 3:30 PM
- 2/22 Cowboy Storytime, 10 AM
- 2/23 Opera at KFL, 1 PM
- 2/25 Teen Writers' Group, 3 PM
- 2/26 Legos Club, 4 PM
- 2/27 Paper Cuts Writing Group, 12:30 PM
- 2/27 Star Wars Club, 3:30 PM

2/27 Trivia Night, 6:30 PM
2/27 TED Talks @ KFL, 7 PM
2/28 Free Tax Help, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
2/28 Adult Book Discussion, 11:15 AM

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