

# Kennebunk Free Library Newsletter

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## Have you missed your KFL newsletter?

Since January 2013, we have been sending our newsletter electronically. We will continue to email all our newsletters and mail our quarterly printed newsletters (if you've indicated as such) to you.

If you want to sign up to receive the e-newsletters AND program information AND, best of all, e-mail reminders of when your items are about to become due, click [here](#)!

We don't want you to miss a thing going on at KFL!

Kennebunk Free Library

## Spotlight on KFL Volunteer Josephine Oliver



*"I've always loved reading, so when I retired and moved to Maine, the most logical step was to volunteer in a library. Fortunately, KFL fit the bill perfectly! I've enjoyed working with all the staff, and hope to continue volunteering for as long as possible!"-- Josephine Oliver*

If you take a peek into KFL's workroom at on Tuesday or Thursday mornings, you will see Josephine Oliver, volunteer extraordinaire. Since moving to Kennebunk in 2002, Josephine has been volunteering at the library. Her "job responsibilities" include the processing of new additions to the collection. However, Josephine is known for lending a helping hand to any other task. Josephine's backroom "co-workers" agree her cheerfulness and sense of humor make for a much better day.

The first generation daughter of Lebanese parents, Josephine Zadio grew up in eastern Pennsylvania, where she met and married John Oliver....Click [here](#) to learn more about Josephine's volunteer work and the value that she adds to the Library.

KFL is currently seeking a volunteer "Volunteer Coordinator" to help us recruit, orient, schedule and train new volunteers. To learn more about the volunteer coordinator position, [click here](#).

Thank you Josephine, we would be lost without you!

## The 1st Annual Library Trustees' Mini-Golf Tournament Sunday, April 7, 11 AM to 4 PM

An 18 hole course, inside our Library! Join us for this fun event for the whole family! Tickets are on sale NOW at our circulation desks:

Adults \$8; Youth (12 & under) \$5; Children under 2: Free.

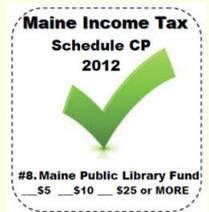
Pizza, popcorn, fruit & beverages will be available for purchase. Raffles & children's activities will be available too!

Want to get an idea about what Library Mini-Golf looks like? Check out this Youtube video from the Brookline MA Library!



### 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.



To learn more about this voluntary donation, please click [here](#).

### How do we decide what goes into the Children's Room and what goes into the Teen Zone?

People sometimes ask what the cutoff is for titles in the Children's Room vs. the Teen Zone. At what age can children start reading the Teen Books? There is not a clear, black and white delineation. Since everyone has different values, the decision is best left up to the people who know the children best, namely their parents. Here is how we decide which titles end up shelved in the Children's Room, and which are shelved in the Teen Zone.



To start, the budget for the children's collection is bigger than the budget for the teen collection, And let's face it, there's a lot more room downstairs than in the Teen Zone! So a title that could be found in either location will probably be found downstairs. This is especially true with nonfiction titles. More of the titles used for school reports such as science experiment books and biographies will be downstairs. There's also more room downstairs for fun nonfiction reads such as books about the Mars Rover exploration, Arctic rescue, and sports books on surfing and gymnastics.

We also look at the content of the book. Click [here](#) to read the entire article.

### The Edgar Awards in Young Adult Literature

Nominations for [The Edgar Awards](#) were announced in February. Named in honor of Edgar Allan Poe, the awards by the Mystery Writers of America are given for distinguished achievement in the mystery genre. Poe is famous for his distinguished contributions in the mystery genre, and is credited with the development of the detective story model.



One category of the Edgar Awards is for the Best Young Adult Mystery. The following five young adult novels have been nominated and are part of KFL's Teen collection:

- *Emily's Dress and other Missing Things* by Kathryn Burak
- *The Edge of Nowhere* by Elizabeth George
- *Crusher* by Niall Leonard
- *Amelia Anne is Dead and Gone* by Kat Rosenfield
- *Code Name Verity* by Elizabeth Wein

For more about these books and other Teen services, visit the [teen website](#).

### From the Director's Desk

Did you enjoy the [Oreo Cookie commercial](#) during the Super Bowl that featured two men in a public library debating whether the best part of an Oreo is the cream or the cookie? What made the commercial hilarious were two library patrons passionately defending their positions using library voices. The whisper fight commercial takes the expectation of quiet in the library to extremes as we soon see other patrons get involved demanding quiet using just a whisper. As the situation degenerates completely, police and fire fighters arrive to break up the quiet conflict while whispering to do it!



On February 6th, [Pew Internet](#) (research organization) released an article "[Should Libraries Shush?](#)" and arrived at the conclusion that yes we should. However, they also concluded that libraries should provide spaces for active engagement in learning opportunities and enlightening conversations as well. At KFL, we value quiet spaces and dedicate the Reading Room to be just that. It provides a marvelous escape for those looking to use their laptops, read a newspaper, catch up on a favorite magazine, or sit by the fire on Wednesdays and Thursdays. But at times voices and music drift upstairs from the Children's Room, or laughter abounds from a discussion group being held in the Reference Room, or the voice of a library assistant is overheard assisting at the computers or providing information about a recent book release.

KFL will continue to provide quiet spaces for those looking for that experience as well as encourage lively learning and communication in dedicated spaces as we strive to meet the varied needs of our community. We hope you will find what you're looking for - quiet or not - here at the Kennebunk Free Library

### March Calendar of Events

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| 3/1 Gaming at the Library, 3:30 PM                                       | 3/14 Let's Talk About It Book Discussion, 1 PM (Snow Date) |
| 3/2 <a href="#">Genealogy Group</a> , 10 AM                              | 3/15 Gaming at the Library, 3:30 PM                        |
| 3/4 Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 AM   | 3/18 Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 AM                          |
| 3/4 Homeschooling Group, 2 PM  | 3/19 Family Storytime, 10:15 AM                            |
| 3/5 Family Storytime, 10:15 AM   | 3/19 After School Yoga Stretch                             |
| 3/5 Tween Advisory Board, 3:30 PM  | 3/21 <a href="#">Free Tax Help</a> , 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM    |
| 3/5 Teen Movie Night, <a href="#">Dark Knight Rises</a> , PG-13, 5:30 PM | 3/21 Time for 2's & 3's, 10:15 AM                          |
| 3/6 Trivia Night (rescheduled), 6:30 PM                                  | 3/21 Anime Club, 3:30 PM                                   |
| 3/7 Time for 2's & 3's, 10:15 AM   | 3/22 Gaming at the Library, 3:30 PM                        |
| 3/7 <a href="#">Free Tax Help</a> , 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM                   | 3/23 <a href="#">Opera at KFL</a> , 1 PM                   |
| 3/7 Let's Talk About It Book Discussion, 1 PM                            | 3/25 Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 AM                          |
| 3/7 Anime Club, 3:30 PM  | 3/25 Teen Writers' Group, 3 PM                             |
| 3/8 Gaming at the Library, 3:30 PM                                       | 3/26 Family Storytime, 10:15 AM                            |
| 3/9 <a href="#">Opera at KFL</a> , 1 PM                                  | 3/26 Legos Club  |
| 3/11 Peek-a-Book Babies  | 3/27 Paper Cuts Writing Group                              |
| 3/11 Teen Writers' Group   | 3/27 Star Wars Club, 3:30 PM                               |
| 3/11 Non-fiction Book Group  | 3/27 Trivia Night, 6:30 PM                                 |
| 3/11 Friends of KFL Meeting  | 3/27 TED Talks @ KFL, 7 PM                                 |
| 3/12 Family Storytime, 10:15 AM  | 3/28 <a href="#">Free Tax Help</a> , 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM    |
| 3/13 Magic Tree House Book Club, 4 PM                                    | 3/26 KFL Trustees Meeting, 7 PM                            |

3/13 Paper Cuts Writing Group, 6 PM

3/13 TED Talks @ KFL, [Your Body Language Shapes Who You Are](#), 7 PM

3/14 Time for 2's & 3's, 10:15 AM

3/14 [Free Tax Help](#), 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

3/27 TED Talks @ KFL, Eve Ensler's [On Security](#), 7 PM

3/28 [Adult Book Discussion](#), 11:15 AM

3/29 Gaming at the Library, 3:30 PM

Don't forget to sign up for our monthly e-newsletter and other alerts of items soon due, special programs, classes, etc. at [kennebunklibrary.org](http://kennebunklibrary.org)!

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