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The Threat & Consequences of Climate Change to World Order

Andrew Stancioff will present on **Monday, February 5** (snow date: 2/12/18) at 6:00 PM. His presentation, *The Threat and Consequences of Climate Change to World Order*, is sponsored by the Camden Conference, in cooperation with the World Affairs Council. KFL is a participating library bringing an extension of this conference to our community.

Climate Change or "Global Warming" has enormous implications for the future of humanity and the earth itself. The threat of climate change will have an impact on many aspects of our daily lives and those of future generations. We will see more and bigger storms, floods, higher sea levels, melting ice caps and glaciers, and the disappearance of many species of plants, animals and insects. In the near future we can also expect the impact of climate change to affect human behavior more and more negatively, resulting in security threats to our country from within and from outside as other parts of the world become destabilized by the effects of climate change. Many of the present day conflicts have climate change at their core. These include the droughts in Syria and Iraq and food insecurity in the region of Nigeria, Chad, and Niger that have produced Boko Haram.

Andrew Stancioff is a geologist, natural resource planner, analyst, and manager with 35 years of experience in geology, hydrology, agriculture, fisheries, forestry, climatology, and oceanography. He has 40 years of experience in developing countries and 25 years in Africa. During the last ten years, Stancioff has worked to develop methods and models to monitor and evaluate poverty and conflict in areas under stress from overpopulation and overuse of natural resources and other forms of degradation. He is presently working on finding financing to plant trees in Africa to create natural CO2 sinks and sources of food. He has been involved in modeling, demographic health and environmental data in support of famine and conflict early warning systems. Mr. Stancioff has lived in Spruce Head, Maine for the last 10 years where he has been active in supporting the Camden Conference on various committees. The Camden Conference is a non-profit, non-partisan organization whose mission is to foster informed discourse on world issues. This year's conference, *New World Disorder and America's Future*, will be held February 16-18, 2017. For more information about the Camden Conference, visit <u>www.camdenconference.org</u>, email info@camdenconference.org, or call 207-236-1034.



WinterFest Book Sale - BOGO

The Friends of the Kennebunk Free Library will have a book sale on **Saturday**, **February 3** from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The sale will be held in Hank's Room. Come and support the Library and get some great deals on gently-used books, CDs, DVDs and audicbooks. This sale offers Buy-One-Get-One free and is a great time to stock up on all your cold-weather reading needs.

Current Friends will each get a <u>free book</u> during sale hours only. Membership forms for joining the Friends will be available.

A Celebration of Maine Birds: Photos & Stories from a Birder's Big Year

Join us on **Wednesday, February 7** at 6 p.m. (snow date: 2/21 at 6) when we welcome back naturalist Josh Fecteau for his presentation, *A Celebration of Maine Birds: Photos and Stories from a Birder's Big Year.*



How many species of birds can one see in a year in Maine? Josh Fecteau sought to answer that question in 2017, and in this program he'll share photos and stories that take you on a statewide journey of avian appreciation. Along the way, he'll pass on some of his essential bird seeking strategies, on the off chance that you catch the birding bug!

Local naturalist Josh Fecteau is a wild food enthusiast and avid birder who maintains a website and natural history blog (joshfecteau.com) and takes pleasure in sharing his love of the wild with others by leading walks and workshops and presenting to audiences large and small.

Pictured: Painted Bunting in May in Palermo, ME

WWI: A Constant Call for Higher Things

The Kennebunk Free Library Genealogy Group will host Carrie Beverly, on **Saturday, February 10 at 10 a.m.** 2018 is the 100th anniversary of the end of the Great War.

This presentation, based on six years of research and an extraordinary archive of unpublished letters from a half dozen Flyboys, goes beyond recounting wartime experience one by one. It exposes the deeper fabric that binds them together - their inextricable capacity to adopt habits that were sacrosanct to their identity. At a time when "victory" was a lifestyle, a culture and a cult and America's only goal, Generation 1914 ironically became a symbol for anything irrevocably lost. It

was a painful label for WWI airmen whose life expectancy was 3 to 8 weeks.

Carrie Beverly is a member of The League of WWI Aviation Historians and lives in Maine. Her 30year career as a consultant, writer, and researcher provided a platform from which she chose pet projects. One of those was a political appointment as a Community Educator for the National Aeronautics & Space Administration (NASA) and Coors Distributorship to promote math and sciences to scores of underserved school kids. Ms. Beverly holds a Masters degree in Political Science. Today, she continues to follow diverse interests in history, writing, and crafts.

The Genealogy Group is free, open to the public and meets nine times a year. We welcome all new guests.

Make and Take Scrub and Soak Class

Learn about the healing properties of essential oils with Cindy Simon (NCC, RMT) on **Monday**, **February 26** at 6 p.m. Attendees will create and take home three types of aromatherapy prodcuts; a food soak, a sugar exfoliator, and a salt scrub.

Oils include a wide variety to calm, heal, energize, de-stress, help with chronic pain, uplift mood, cleanse, inspire, purify, balance and more. Additional recipes (besides the ones made in class) will be provided.

Cindy is a community educator, wellness coach, counselor, writing coach, as well as a freelance writer and published author. She truly hopes to inspire individuals of all ages to find deep relaxation through yoga, meditation and energy work. Cindy is passionate about leading people to their healthiest lifestyles and mentoring them in how to maintain such mind-body-spirit health day-to-day.

This class has limited space so please register at 207-985-2173 or <u>email</u> us. All supplies are provided free of charge.



Tax Forms and Tax Help

According to the old saying, the only sure things in life are death and taxes. However, you can also count on KFL being here to help each time tax season rolls around. This year, we are expecting to receive only the federal 1040, 1040A, and 1040EZ forms and instructions - no state forms at all.

We have been notified the federal forms will likely be arriving later than usual due to legislative changes. We will put them on display the minute they arrive. In the meantime, if you need any forms that we do not have in stock, we are always happy to help you print them from the IRS or state website for just \$.10 per page. We can also provide you with instructions for ordering the forms directly from the IRS or the State of Maine.

If you need some help *preparing* your taxes, we will be hosting AARP Tax Aide every Thursday from 9:30 and 12:30. The first session this year will be held on February 1, with the program running through April 12. Appointments are not required - people will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis. We will have a sign-up sheet available in the lobby when the library doors open at 9:30.

So let's talk about the wait.... Unfortunately, because of insurance regulations, we are unable to allow anyone into the library before we open, regardless of how cold, snowy, or miserable it is outside. We would encourage you to come close to opening time and wait for your appointment inside the library. The heroic AARP volunteers have been great about staying until everyone has been seen. We will have hot chocolate, marshmallows, and snacks available, a fire blazing in the fireplace, and plenty of reading material. All-in-all it will be a far more pleasant wait than standing outside in the snow before we open.

If you have any questions, please give us a call at the adult circulation desk: (207)985-2173 x4. We look forward to facing the inevitable frustrations of the 2018 tax season together!

The Road Race is Coming...

Keep your eyes and ears peeled for information on how to register for our 21st Edition Road Race on Friday the 13th, of July.

Meditations

The Kennebunk Free Library announces its February 2018 exhibition, "Meditations," the photographs of Kathleen Nolan. The public is invited to view the exhibit during regular library hours when the gallery is not in use for library programs.

Kathleen Nolan, a Kennebunk resident since

1987, is a retired dancer, dance educator and Ms. Nolan has nurtured, choreographer. inspired and instructed young dancers and choreographers at the high school and university years. taught level for 40 She at SUNY Binghamton (1971-1987) and at Thornton Academy (1995-2012) where she created and developed a four year curricular dance program. She has also served as Executive Director for the Maine Alliance for Arts Education and as an arts education administrator for the Kennedy Center Alliance for Arts Education from 1991-1994. She founded and developed "Artsmart", a multidisciplinary residential summer arts camp at



Bates College. Kathleen is truly committed to advocacy for the arts and arts in education.

Many of Kathleen's photographic studies are rock studies from the small coves and shoreline of Pemaquid Point, Maine. In these, she captures the natural "found" beauty of ocean rocks as arranged by the ebb and flow of the tides.

Kathleen is also an avid traveler who is in love with nature. She has traveled and photographed all over the world: Europe, Africa, Antarctica, the high Arctic, Asia, South America. As a traveler, her preferences are for remote places of unspoiled beauty such as Mongolia, the Antarctic, the Arctic, Nepal, and Tibet. Kathleen is passionate about the need for us to open ourselves to the amazing beauty of the world around us.

The public is invited to attend an artist's reception on Saturday, February 10 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM.

Children's Programming

Parenting Class

Stevie Westmoreland, LMFT, LCPC leads her Parenting Class on Friday, February 2 at 10 a.m.

This class offers an opportunity for parents, grandparents and caregivers to gather to share the joys and challenges of parenthood. Skills developed will focus on identifying and understanding a child's four basic feelings, calming ourselves down and the positive effect of mirror neurons with your child.

Stevie has been in private practice as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor for over 30 years. She also brings her own experience as a parent and grandparent to the discussion.

Storytimes

It's time for storytime! Join us at KFL for stories, songs, and rhymes during our next storytime session. Start building your child's early literacy skills and have fun at the same time! Storytimes are designed for different ages, but anyone is welcome! Our next session will be held January 8-April 20 at the following times:

-Mondays at 10:15: Peek-A-Book Babies (ages 0-2 years)

-Tuesdays at 10:15: Family Storytime (ages 0-5 years)



Beadcraft - Hearts Snowflakes

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 (with caregiver) and up are invited to join us for an afternoon of beading fun **Wednesday**, **February 7** at 1 p.m. Design suggestions will be offered, but creativity is encouraged! <u>Registration is required</u>. All craft materials will be provided.



Imagination Station - Marble Runs!

Join us on **Thursday, February 8** from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. for February's Imagination Station: Marble Runs!

Come play with gravity and let your creativity run wild as you try to build a working run out of a variety of recycled materials. All Imagination Station programs are drop-in; stay the whole time or come when you can.

Everyone is encouraged to join us for this series of programs showcasing science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) - in ways that are fun and



accessible for all ages. Find out how stuff works, why things happen, and what makes our world the way it is.

Drop-In Family Valentine Crafts

Get ready for Valentine's Day at KFL! Visit the Library between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on **Saturday, February 10** for Drop-In Family Valentine Crafts which will include a card making station, coloring pages and more! No registration required.

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Mad Science: Fizzing Hearts!

Science can be wacky, wild, or funny, but it's always an adventure! We will be holding a Mad Science series of programming for young scientists to experiment and observe the surprising results. Please join us on **Monday, February 12** at 4 p.m. as we experiment with Fizzing Hearts! For kids ages 6 and up, <u>registration required.</u>

At January's Mad Science the kids had a so much fun making their own Airplanes! They learned about how planes fly and the principals of lift. Each kid left with an airplane of their very own and a better understanding of how they fly.

Tail Waggin' Tutor

Children of all ages can practice their reading by reading to Jack, a certified therapy dog on **Saturday**, **February 17** from 10-11 a.m. Library Reading Dogs can help children increase their reading skills and become more confident readers. No registration needed, just drop in while Jack is here!

Do You Want to Build a Snowman?

It's not winter until you've created a snow-friend! On **Thursday, February 22** at 2 p.m., if weather permits and there's snow on the ground, we will build snowmen on the library lawn! If the weather is not cooperating, we will have snowman crafts indoors. Snowman building materials will be provided, but feel free to bring your own!

Movie Matinee - Wonder

Kennebunk Free Library will be presenting a movie matinee featuring *Wonder (PG)* on **Friday, February 23** at 2 p.m. Based on the New York Times bestseller, *Wonder* tells the incredibly inspiring and heartwarming story of August Pullman, a boy with facial differences who enters fifth grade, attending a mainstream elementary school for the first time.









Come join us on **February 28** at 4 p.m. for Lego Club! This month there will be a building challenge that will push your builder abilities to the limit. If you are feeling more creative come build a Lego creation of your heart's content. <u>Registration is required</u>, for kids in grades K and up.

A Note from the Book Room

First and foremost thank you for all of your donations to the Library. Your generosity is boundless. And thank you to the volunteers who give their time to sort and file your gifts. It takes many hands to go through the books and materials that come in. Please keep in mind our donation guidelines:

-Books should be clean and free of mold, mildew, dust and show no signs of water damage.

-We can not accept any reference materials or textbooks older than 10 years or travel guides older than 3 years. We can not accept the following at all: Reader's Digest Condensed, Manuals, Government Documents.

Deb Redding-Sampson, President Julie Ottomano, Vice President Donna Gomez - Trustee Liaison

Have a question? Please email us.

Teen Programming

TECH AND TEXTILES February 8: Tech Edition - Button-Making Workshop February 22: Textiles Edition - No Needle Knitting 3 - 4 p.m.

Tech and Textiles is a new KFL program for teens starting in February. It is intended to give young people the space to explore emerging technologies and more traditional crafts. This program will meet every other Thursday in the Walker Room. 11+

FRIDAY FUN February 9: Marshmallow Challenge February 16: Pal'entine's Day February 23: Life-Sized Pac-Man 3 - 4 p.m. Fun has been reinvented for 2018. Join Miss

Fun has been reinvented for 2018. Join Miss Melissa in the Walker Room to test scientific limits, create crafts worth sharing with friends and bring your favorite games to life. 11+

ANIME AFTERNOON: **February 21** 4-5 p.m. An afternoon of otaku games and anime inspired crafts. 11+





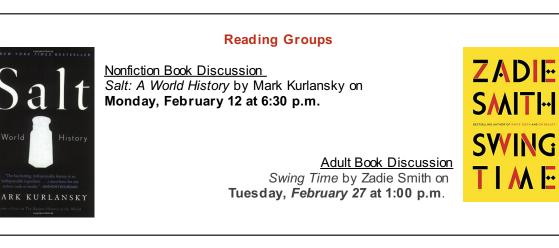


Consider Now, Consider for the Future

KFL is seeking individuals with a passion for their local library to apply to join the **Board of Trustees**. There are currently openings available <u>and</u> leading up to our new fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2018, we'll also be on the lookout for additional trustees.

This is a very exciting time for KFL. We're about to enter into a new strategic planning process which will result in a visionary five-year plan. Would you like to bring your ideas and skills to the table? Thank you for your consideration.

To learn more check out our Trustee FAQ and Trustee Job Description. Apply here.



Large Print Books are Finding a New Home

The shift brought the Large Print (LP) collection to the wall shelves that have been empty (previously housing YA materials) at the start of the fiction ranges. The entirety of the LP collection does not currently fit but the shift was started because the low shelves are beyond max capacity and we simply could not fit any more materials on them.

This means that for the foreseeable future, the LP collection will be split between the wall shelves and the low shelves. While not an ideal setup signage has been posted to delineate what alpha ranges are in which location. However, we were able to pull all LP materials remaining on the middle ranges to the higher two shelves therefore getting every LP book off of floor level which has proved to be a great inconvenience to many, many patrons. Already, comments have been in favor of the shift.

Lastly, as a result of this shift, "new" large print titles are housed in the brown bookcase at the end of the first aisle of the new LP and fiction stacks. YA fiction graphic novels including Manga were moved to the low ranges. All adult graphic novels were moved here as well.

Did You Know? Talking Books Program

Talking Books is a Federally-funded program which provides recorded books and special players free to persons who are blind, visually impaired, physically handicapped (cannot hold a book) or who have a doctor-certified reading disability.

This program is administered by the Maine State Library and funded by the federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) through the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). Learn more at http://www.maine.gov/msl/outreach/lbph/talkingbooks/index.shtml

Frustrated with Technology?

Join us on **Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** for our service, Tech Time. Attendees will work oneon-one with a librarian to answer your technology questions. Registration required.

Technology is becoming more complicated so we're here to

help. Having difficulty downloading the cloudLibrary app? Got a tablet for your birthday and need help setting it up? Please make an appointment by contacting the library at 207-985-2173. This service has quickly become very popular so your patience in waiting for an accommodation is greatly appreciated.



This service is intended to help educate you about your device or to troubleshoot minor technology issues. Our goal is

that you'll leave our session with the confidence and knowledge to troubleshoot your own future technology hurdles.

Please bring your device with you. Our February dates are 2, 9, 16, & 23.

Firewood Needed

Somehow the time for firewood has crept up on us once again. Your firewood donations would be appreciated to keep our reading room warm and cozy during the winter months. Please call us at 207-985-2173 or <u>email</u> us if you would like to make a donation.



Well-Attended Programs

We've seen outstanding attendance at many of our recent programs and we thank you very much for your support. KFL is doing our best to accommodate these large turn-outs by maximizing the seating available in our largest area, the Parsons Reading room.

Unfortunately, even with these efforts we have not had enough seating for all. KFL is aware of this and keeping it keenly in mind as we are constantly planning for the future. Your feedback is very important and helpful. Please ask for a feedback form and remember that programs without registration are on a first-come, first served basis and are often open to all ages.

February Calendar of Events

- Feb. 1: Tax Help, door open & signup starts at 9:30
- Feb. 2: Parenting Class, 10 a.m.
- Feb. 2: Tech Time, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Feb. 3: WinterFest Book Sale, 8:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.
- Feb. 5: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m.
- Feb. 5: Climate Change, 6 p.m.
- Feb. 6: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
- Feb. 6: In Stitches, 11 a.m.
- Feb. 7: Beadcraft, 1 p.m.
- Feb. 7: Crafting Friends, 5:30 p.m.
- Feb. 7: Celebration of Maine Birds, 6 p.m.
- Feb. 8: Tax Help, door open & signup starts at 9:30
- Feb. 8: Tech & Textiles, 3 p.m.
- Feb. 8: Imagination Station, 3:45 p.m.
- Feb. 9: Tech Time, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Feb. 9: Friday Fun, 3 p.m.
- Feb. 10: Genealogy Group, 10 a.m.
- Feb. 10: Drop-In Family Valentine Crafts, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Feb. 10: Artist Reception, 1:30-4:30 p.m.
- Feb. 12: Peek-a-Book-Babies, 10:15 a.m.

Feb. 12: Nonfic Book Group, 6:30 p.m. Feb. 12: Mad Science, 4 p.m. Feb. 13: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m. Feb. 13: In Stitches, 11 a.m. Feb. 15: Tax Help, door open & signup starts at 9:30 Feb. 16: Tech Time, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Feb. 16: Friday Fun, 3 p.m. Feb. 17: Tail Waggin' Tutor, 10 a.m. Feb. 19: Library CLOSED, President's Day Feb. 20: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m. Feb. 20: In Stitches, 11 a.m. Feb. 21: Teen Anime, 4 p.m. Feb. 22: Tax Help, door open & signup starts at 9:30 Feb. 22: Build a Snowman, 2 p.m. Feb. 22: Tech & Textiles, 3 p.m. Feb. 23: Tech Time, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Feb. 23: Movie Matinee, 2 p.m. Feb. 23: Friday Fun, 3 p.m. Feb. 26: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m. Feb. 26: Aromatherapy, 6 p.m. Feb. 27: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m. Feb. 27: In Stitches, 11 a.m. Feb. 27: Adult Book Discussion, 1 p.m. Feb. 27: Trustees Meeting, 7 p.m. Feb. 28: Lego Club, 4 p.m. Feb. 28: Trivia Night, 6: 30 p.m.

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