

## Monthly E-Newsletter February 2019 Volume 26, Issue 2

#### Hygge Month at KFL!

The Danish people have a word that encompasses the feeling of curling up in front of a fire with a cup of hot chocolate and a good book: Hygge (hoo-ga). This month, as the temperatures dip and the snow falls, KFL is celebrating hygge. Join us for a series of programs that celebrate all things warm and cozy!

#### **Adult Programs**

# Embracing Hygge for Simple, Joy-Filled Living - February 4

Have you heard the term "hygge" and wondered what it is? Do you need a fresh perspective on how to enjoy and savor the winter season? If so, join Simple Living Coach & Consultant Lisa Luken on Monday, February 4 at 6:00 p.m. for *Embracing Hygge for Simple, Joy-Filled Living*. Lisa will illustrate what hygge is and where it's from, she'll share why it's important for happiness, and she'll teach how to create and embrace it in your life this winter and beyond. Walk away with new insights and ideas that will help you create a simpler, more joy-filled life.



#### China, Climate Change, and Forests - February 5

The Camden Conference presents Dr. Lindsey Rustad at the Kennebunk Free Library on Tuesday, February 5 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss China, Climate Change, and Forests. Global emissions of greenhouse gases have escalated since the beginning of the industrial revolution and are now at higher levels than at any time in the past 800,000 years, at least. Consequences are increases in global temperature, changes in patterns of precipitation, and increases in the frequency and severity of extreme weather events. China is one of the top four emitters of carbon dioxide,

along with the United States, the European Union, and India. This talk will discuss the role of China in the global climate change debate, recent efforts by China to mitigate climate change through carbon sequestration in forests, and a first-hand account of collaborative US-China research climate change and forests, with a focus on human dimensions of these interactions.

Dr. Lindsey Rustad is a Research Ecologist for the USDA Forest Service Center for Research on Ecosystem Change in Durham, NH, co-Director of the USDA Northeastern Hub for Risk Adaptation and Mitigation to Climate Change, a Team Leader for the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest in NH, and a Fellow of



the Soil Science Society of America. She received a B.A. in Philosophy at Cornell University in 1980, a M.S. in Forest Science at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Sciences in 1983, and a Ph.D in Plant Science in 1988 at the University of Maine. Her areas of expertise include biogeochemistry, climate change impacts, and advanced environmental sensor systems. Dr. Rustad has published more than 100 peer-reviewed papers and book chapters. Her current interests include implementation of cybertechnology in forests across the northeastern United States and integration of Arts and Science at long term ecological field stations.

This presentation is sponsored by the Camden Conference, held February 22-24, 2019 in Camden, Maine. The topic of this year's conference is: "Is This China's Century?" KFL is a participating library bringing an extension of this conference to our community.

#### **Knitting 101 - Beginning February 6**

Have you ever wanted to learn how to knit but felt overwhelmed? Join us for a free 3-week beginner knitting class, Wednesdays February 6, 13 & 20 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. You will learn a variety of skills as you follow along with an instructor to make a washcloth. No experience needed; this class is geared toward true beginners. Registration for the whole series is required, and space is limited, so please sign up as soon as possible. All materials will be provided. These classes are open to anyone over the age of 10.



# Buns, Beards, Bodices and Bustles - February 9

On Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 10:00, join us for an online discussion with Maureen Taylor, "The Photo Detective." Taylor will present "Buns, Beards, Bodices and Bustles: Understanding Ancestors Through Clothing," with a question and answer session to follow the presentation. This program is hosted by the KFL Genealogy Group.

Maureen Taylor is an internationally recognized expert on historic photograph identification, photo preservation and family history research. Ms. Taylor is a frequent keynote speaker on photo history, photograph



preservation and family history at historical and genealogical societies, museums, conferences, libraries, and other organizations across the U.S., in London and Canada. She is the author of several books on her topics of expertise and was a guest on The View and The Today Show for completing Meredith Vieira's family tree. Well-known publications including The Wall Street Journal, Better Homes and Gardens, The Boston Globe, Martha Steward Living, Germany's top newspaper Der Spiegel, American Spirit, and The New York Times have featured Ms. Taylor's photo and family history research. She also writes guidebooks, scholarly articles and online columns for such media as Smithsonian.com. She was recently a spokesperson and photograph expert for MyHeritage.com, an internationally known family history company.

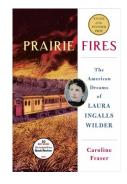
Currently a contributing editor of Family Tree Magazine, Ms. Taylor also writes personal memoirs and narrative family histories for the Newbury St. Press of the New England Historic Genealogical Society. For more than a decade she's searched for images of individuals who lived during the Revolutionary War but also lived into the age of photography. It's currently a two-volume set titled, The Last Muster, and the quest for more photographs is ongoing.

Prior to launching her business in 1998, Ms. Taylor held distinguished leadership positions at the Boston History Collaborative, Rhode Island Historical Society, New England Historical Genealogical Society (Boston), and Houghton-Mifflin. She earned a Master's Degree in history from Rhode Island College (Providence) and resides in Rhode Island.

#### **Nonfiction Book Group - February 11**

Join us on Monday, February 11 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss *Prairie Fires* by Caroline Fraser

The autobiographical Little House on the Prairie novels by Laura Ingalls Wilder (1867-1957) occupy a curious space between national mythology, self-reinvention, and truth, as this overlong but engrossing biography from Fraser (Rewilding the World) makes clear. Lovers of the series will delight in learning about real-life counterparts to classic fictional episodes, but, as Fraser emphasizes, the true story was often much harsher. Meticulously



tracing the Ingalls and Wilder families' experiences through public records and private documents, Fraser discovers failed farm ventures and constant money problems, as well as natural disasters even more terrifying and devastating in real life than in Wilder's writing. She also helpfully puts Wilder's narrow world into larger historical context, showing that the books' self-sufficient farmers were more dependent on federal assistance than Wilder depicted in her novels. Wilder's daughter, Rose Wilder Lane, emerges as an integral character in her mother's later life. Lane, a professional author in her own right, vigorously edited her mother's manuscripts, though Fraser debunks the myth that Lane ghostwrote the books. But their relationship was a fraught one, and Fraser paints an unflattering portrait of Lane's dishonesty and descent into right-wing paranoia. She concludes by examining Wilder's pop cultural legacy. Fraser's exploration of Wilder's life opens her subject to new scrutiny, which, for Wilder's many fans, may be both exhilarating and disconcerting. (Publishers Weekly, vol 264, issue 37)

#### **Meditation Class - February 11**

Meditation: Are you a beginner? Looking to deepen your practice? Join us on Monday, February 11 at 2:00 for the first in a series of meditation classes with presenter Cindy Simon. All are welcome!

Where does most of your awareness and attention go? Do you live in the moment? Are you aware of your breath? Relax and imagine peaceful scenery, learn deep stillness and quiet, utilize positive affirmations, and rid your mind of negative chatter. Learn to bring meditation into your everyday life and discover deeper relaxation, sleep, patience, and calm.



## Devilishly Delicious Demos - February 12

This month's Devilishly Delicious Demos features everybody's favorite ingredient - chocolate! Learn a bit more about chocolate and taste test creations! Learn some history, some health benefits, about tempering chocolate, molding it, decorating with



it and some of those devilishly delicious recipes that feature chocolate! Join us at the Kennebunk Free Library on Tuesday, February 12 at 6:00.

Space is limited to ensure that we have enough treats to go around. Please call or <u>e-mail</u> the library to register.

#### Perspectives on China's Relationship with

#### North Korea - February 13

The Camden Conference presents Bradley O. Babson at the Kennebunk Free Library on Wednesday, February 13 at 6:00. The presentation, "Perspectives on China's relationship with North Korea," will provide a brief historical context and discuss Chinese interests, the evolution of Chinese economic and political relations since the Korean war, and China's role in the geopolitics of sanctions and negotiations over North Korea's future.

Since 1997, Brad Babson has studied the North Korean economy and written extensively on economic perspectives on the integration of North Korea into the international community. He is former Chair of the DPRK Economic Forum at the U.S.-Korea Institute, John

Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, and serves on the Advisory Council of the Korea Economic Institute of America, as well as on the Steering Committee of the National Committee for North Korea.

Mr. Babson is a consultant on Asian affairs with a concentration on North Korea and Myanmar. He worked for the World Bank for 26 years before retiring in 2000. Since then he has consulted for the World Bank and United Nations and been involved in projects sponsored by various institutes, foundations and universities. He is presently teaching a course on the Two Koreas and Geopolitics of Northeast Asia at Bowdoin College.

Mr. Babson received his BA degree from Williams College in 1972, and MPA degree from the Woodrow Wilson School of International and Public Affairs at Princeton University in 1974. He lives in Brunswick, Maine.

#### Learn to Use Overdrive - February 14

Have you had a chance to check out Overdrive, the library's new e-Book and e-Audiobook platform? Need some help getting started? On February 14 at 11:00, our technology librarian is hosting a seminar that will teach you everything you need to know about the new service. Bring your devices and any questions you have about using the platform.



# Hygge Cuddle Time: Therapy Dog for Adults - February 14

Many of us are animal lovers who are unable to have pets of our own, whether because of time or energy constraints or because our housing situations make it impossible. If you are missing your own dog or just like meeting new canine friends, drop by the library from 2:00 to 3:00 on Valentine's Day. A an adorable and well-behaved therapy dog (an Australian Shepard, pictured) will be available for petting, cuddles, and generally being fawned over.



## Hygge Storytime for Adults - February 19

February is Hygge Month at KFL! We are fully embracing the spirit of Hygge - the Danish art of coziness - with our hygge storytime for adults. Join us on Tuesday, February 19 at 6:00 to sit in front of the fire while a KFL staff member reads some cozy



scenes from the classics. Sip some wine or Irish-Cream hot chocolate, snack on cupcakes, and envelop yourself in the cozy aspects of the hygge phenomenon. Wear your comfiest clothes and be ready to lounge. After the reading, curl up with your own book or play a board game or puzzle.

Please call or e-mail the library to RSVP (restricted to adults 21 and over).

#### Adult Book Discussion - February 26

Join us on Tuesday, February 26 at 1:00 p.m. to discuss An American Marriage by Tayari Jones.

Married for just over a year, Roy and Celestial are still navigating their new dynamic as husband and wife. Then their lives are forever altered when they travel to Roy's small Louisiana hometown for a visit, and Roy is falsely accused of a harrowing crime and sentenced to 12 years in prison. The



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strain on their relationship is intense during Roy's incarceration, especially once Celestial's career takes off while he struggles with loss and feelings of abandonment. Nearly halfway through Roy's sentence, his conviction is vacated. In the aftermath of his unexpected release, the couple must confront difficult questions about the choices they've made as well as the expectations of others. For Celestial, it means reconciling the relationship with her husband with that of a longtime friend turned lover. Roy, on the other hand, faces the complexities of a life he no longer recognizes. Jones (Silver Sparrow, 2011) crafts an affecting tale that explores marriage, family, regret, and other feelings made all the more resonant by her well-drawn characters and their intricate conflicts of heart and mind. (Strauss, Leah, Booklist, vol 114, number 5, p13)

#### Ukulele Group - February 27

On Wednesday, February 27 at 5:30 p.m., come to KFL for the fun of making music in the library. Though most of us are newbies, still learning to play the ukulele, people of all skill levels are invited to stop by to play along. Instructor Dan Riggall combines basic instruction with the opportunity to make music.

The library has a limited number of ukuleles available. Please let us know if you will need to borrow one. We will do our best to accommodate you.



#### **Trivia Night - February 27**

The last Wednesday of every month is Trivia Night at KFL. Play alone or bring a team (or join one of our friendly groups of regulars). Admission is free, but players who choose to pay a \$2 entry fee are eligible to collect a share of half of that night's pot if their team wins. (Of course, if you're playing alone, you keep the whole half.) The other half goes to purchasing items for the library's collection. Join us on Wednesday, February 27 at 6:30.



### **Tech Time - February 1, 8, 15, 22**

Join us on Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for our ongoing service, Tech Time. Attendees will work one-on-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.



#### In Stitches - February 5, 12, 19, 26

Do you love to knit? Crochet? Sew? Have you always wanted to learn? Do you have an

unfinished project hidden on the closet shelf? Then join us for "In Stitches", our handicrafts group! This is a great opportunity to expand your skills and learn from others, about knitting, crocheting, sewing, embroidering, or other handicrafts while enjoying the company of others. Bring a project you are working on, or come learn from the very beginning (please bring your own supplies). Knitting help will be available.

In Stitches meets every Tuesday morning at 11:00 a.m. in the Walker Room. No registration is needed, just drop by for as long as you like.

#### **AARP Tax Help - February 7, 14, 21, 28**

It's tax season again at KFL! This year, you'll find that your federal 1040 forms will look a little different. The federal 1040A and 1040EZ forms are no longer; they have all been combined into one 1040 form. We've already received 1040 forms and instruction booklets, which are available at the adult circulation desk. As in



recent years, we will not be receiving any state forms. Library staff will be more than welcome to help you print any forms from the IRS or state website for just \$.10 per page. We can also provide you with instructions for ordering forms to be mailed to you directly.

If you need some help preparing your taxes, we will once again be hosting AARP Tax Aides every Thursday from 9:30 to 12:00. The first session this year will be held on February 7, with the program running through April 11. People will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis only. 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.

## New Book Group Beginning in March

The **Heart and Home Book Club** is a new, pick-your-own book discussion group at KFL. Participants choose their own fiction or nonfiction book based on a monthly theme. On Monday, March 4 at 2:00 p.m., we'll discuss books about cooking. On Monday, April 1 at 2:00 p.m., we'll discuss books about gardening. On Monday, May 6 at 2:00 p.m., we'll discuss books about housekeeping.

Feel free to call or stop by the library for help finding a book!



## **Teen Programs**

#### Friday Fun

#### February 1 at 3:00 p.m.

We will be making amazing designs with String Art.

#### February 8 at 3:00 p.m.

We will be holding a rigorous Card Game Tournament. Come check out a variety of new card games.

#### February 15 at 3:00 p.m.

We will be learning how to make Origami animals.

#### February 22 at 3:00 p.m.

Come join us as we hold a Puzzle Making Contest.



## **Teen Anime - February 20**

Come talk about anime, learn to draw your favorite characters, watch your favorite anime films and TV shows on the projection screen and everything anime in-between on Wednesday, February 20 at 4:00 p.m. It is open to students and teens ages 10 and up.



#### **Children's Programs**

#### **Parenting Class - February 1**

Stevie Westmoreland, LMFT, LCPC leads her Parenting Class on Friday, February 1 at 10:00 a.m.

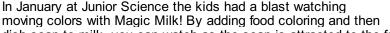
This class offers an opportunity for parents, grandparents and caregivers to gather to share the joys and challenges of parenthood. Skills developed will focus on identifying and understanding a child's four basic feelings, calming ourselves down and the positive effect of mirror neurons with your child.



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.

#### Junior Science: Color Changing Slime! - February 4

Science can be wacky, wild, or funny, but it's always an adventure! We will be holding a Junior Science series of programming for young scientists to experiment and observe the surprising results. Please join us on Monday, February 4 at 4:00 p.m. as we experiment with Color Changing Slime! For kids ages 5 and up, registration is required.



dish soap to milk, you can watch as the soap is attracted to the fat in the milk and moves the colors with it, creating amazing swirls and patterns.



#### **Beadcraft - February 6**

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 Wednesday, February 6 at 1:00 p.m. Children aged 5 are welcome with a caregiver. Design suggestions will be offered, but creativity is encouraged! All craft materials will be provided. Registration is required.



#### **Chickadee Book Club - February 13**

Kennebunk Free Library has a book club for kindergartensecond graders! We meet to read and talk about Chickadee nominated picture books, and have some fun! Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 13 at 3:45 p.m. We will be discussing Shark Lady by Jess Keating. Copies can be reserved via Minerva online or at the library. Reading the book ahead of the club meeting is encouraged, but not required. Registration is required, and



is limited to 15 readers. For more information or to register, call 985-2173 or <u>e-mail the library</u>. Come read with us!

#### **Discovery Station - February 20**

Full STEAM ahead to Discovery Station! Discovery Station is a new monthly STEAM program designed for children 2-5 years of age accompanied by a parent or caregiver. STEAM is an approach to learning that uses Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math through activities that support curiosity and creativity. STEAM activity stations will give children, with their parent or caregiver, an opportunity to engage in hands-on learning while having fun!



Join us on Wednesday, February 20 at 3:45 p.m. to learn all about animals in winter. The program is limited to 12 children, and <u>registration is required</u>.

#### Yarn Embroidery - February 21

Learn a new skill over February break! On Thursday, February 21 at 10:30 a.m., children ages 5 and up are invited to experiment with embroidery and create a unique design using yarn and burlap. All materials will be provided. Registration is required, and space is limited, so please reserve your spot as soon as possible.



#### Family Fort Night - February 21

KFL is taking Hygge - the Danish art of coziness - to a whole new level! On Thursday, February 21 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., throw on your sweatpants and grab your blankets for Family Fort Night. After the library closes, stake out a spot and build your very own blanket fort. Spend some time in your family fort - reading, coloring, or playing games - then join your librarians every half hour for a different craft and some cozy, cold-weather snacks. This is a families-only event. Adults must be accompanied by a child. Please call or e-mail the library to register.



## **Drop-In Craft - February 22**

Need something to do during vacation? We are offering a Drop-In Craft from 11:00 - 3:00 p.m. on February 22. Stop by and make a wintry creation. No registration required; all ages welcome.



# Homeschooling Group - February 25

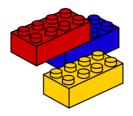
Are you the parent of a homeschooler? Are you looking for a place to talk about your experiences with other parents? KFL has started a group for parents of homeschoolers to discuss and share resources. A librarian will be available to answer questions and offer

guidance. Our next meeting will be held on Monday, February 25 at 6:00 p.m. Homeschooling is a journey - join us to talk about your travels!



#### **LEGO Club - February 27**

Come join us on Wednesday February 27 at 4:00 p.m. for Lego Club! This month come join us for 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 own imagination. Registration is required, for kids ages 4 and up.



Storytimes: Jan 7 - April 16

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

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



### **Speers Gallery**

#### **February Artist - Marguerite Genest**

Our February 1 to 28, 2019 exhibition will be **"Maine Impressions"**, the oil paintings of Marguerite Genest. The public is invited to view the exhibit during regular library hours when the gallery is not in use for library programs.

Marguerite began painting in childhood inspired by her talented sister and her m

other's flair for design and fashion. At Elms College in Western MA, she concentrated on oil painting learning to paint detailed, realistic still lifes, portraits and landscapes earning a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. As her painting evolved Marguerite exhibited seascapes, landscapes and portraits. At that time, she became interested in the way children learn, culminating in a Doctorate in Educational Psychology allowing a career in helping parents understand how their children learn best, training teachers and using art to create visual learning aids.



Since relocating to Southern Maine, Marguerite has discovered a love for our beaches and the people and pets that gather there. "I am inspired by the many moods and colors of the sea. I especially love the dramatic colors of sunsets over the oceans, which are never the same, but always amazing. When painting pet portraits, I am inspired by the soulfulness in the eyes of the animals, which lend an endearing quality to the paintings. The message behind my art is that of awe and the gratitude I feel for being able to live in a place surrounded by the ever changing beauty of the coast of Maine. Being present to all this area has to offer is important to me as I paint both the sea and the lovely pets that enjoy and savor this beautiful place asmuch as I do!"

## Friends of KFL

#### Winterfest Book Sale - February 2

Friends of the Kennebunk Free Library will have a Book Sale on Saturday, February 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The sale will be held in Hank's Room and feature an easy, low price listing. All items are 2/\$1, \$1, or \$3. Come and support the Library and get some great deals on gently-used books and movies. As always, Friends receive one free book. Applications to join the Friends will be available.

#### **Library News & Events**

#### **Socks for Fines**

As we embrace the coziness of winter and celebrate Hygge month at the library, let's remember our neighbors in need. From Tuesday, February 19 through Monday, February 25th patrons can participate in Socks for Fines. KFL will waive half your fines when you donate a new pair of warm socks (does not apply to replacement costs for lost or damaged items). All contributions will benefit York County Shelter Programs [http://www.yorkcountyshelterprograms.com/]. We'll gladly accept all socks; however, teen/adult socks are needed much more than children's.

#### Overdrive is back at KFL!

Kennebunk Free Library is once again home, as of January 28, 2019, to OverDrive, the online platform for checking out e-books and e-audiobooks with your library card thanks to a generous grant from the Webhannet Charitable Foundation.

We listened! In the spring of 2018 over 500 of you responded to our community survey as a building block for our new strategic plan. Through this survey we were able to garner significant information on what we can improve and we're taking it to heart. Many of you voiced your opinion about bringing back OverDrive whether the reason was for ease of use, shorter wait times, or compatibility with all Kindle devices.

This time around KFL will have our own private platform for only our patrons. While we won't have the breadth of materials available through CloudLibrary, our current online lending platform, we will have the ability with OverDrive to curate the collection to the specifications of our patrons, wait lists will be much shorter since only those with a KFL card can access it, and patrons can once again use their Paperwhites. For those that still like the broader range of available titles and don't mind the long wait times we will still belong to CloudLibrary as well.

Does all this sound like jargon and/or new to you? No worries! We're happy to help get you set up and started. OverDrive works with most devices and has its own app, Libby. Whether you enjoying reading from your phone, desktop, or Kindle we'll get you going.

#### **Lighting Makeover**

Beginning Tuesday, February 5, KFL is getting a lighting makeover! After an estimated three days of work, we will have an all LED library. Not only will the lighting enable us to see better but it will also be much more energy efficient and the need to send staff up on high ladders to replace lights will happen much more infrequently. This is a long overdue project that we are very happy to move forward with. We plan for this project to have as little impact on your library experience as possible while work is underway. Small portions of areas may be closed off for small intervals of time so we may need to ask you to move to another area, but not for long!

#### Pi Day Bake Sale

Kennebunk Free Library is hosting a Pi Day Bake Sale on none other than Thursday, March 14 from 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. This sale is open to the public and features whole pies and pie slices and some other creative concoctions.

This fun fundraiser features sweet and savory pies and accepts baked contributions from the community. Please call or stop by to sign up to let us know what you will be bringing in. Contributors are asked to please bring your pies the morning of the sale to the staff entrance. Please include a listing of ingredients.

#### **March Madness Auction at KFL**

Visit the Kennebunk Free Library to place a bid on an amazing auction item during our silent auction fundraiser, March Madness, from March 4 through March 29.

Auction items include tickets to the Portland Symphony Orchestra, tickets to a Maine Mariners game, local gift cards, signed Patriots and Red Sox memorabilia and themed baskets.

A brochure with additional information about each item will be available at the adult services desk as well as online. Those who wish to place a bid on an item will first need to sign up for a free bid number at the adult services desk. Bidding will end at 5 p.m. on Friday, March 29 at the close of business. Winning bidders will be notified on Monday, April 1.

KFL in a nonprofit organization. Each year, we must raise about 25% of our operating budget through fundraisers such as this.

#### New Books, Audio Books, & DVDs

Click here for a look at our new books.

Click here for new audio/video.

## A Message from the Library Director

February seems to be that month that likes to catch us by surprise and I'm especially worried this year given the fairly mild winter we've been having. In order to keep our minds sharp and ready for whatever comes our way, KFL has been keeping very, very busy and it is in large part thanks to you, all our patrons. We have been diligently working on many items that came through your responses in our community survey last spring.

To quote Assistant Director/Adult Services Supervisor, Allison Atkins, a Herculean effort took place in just two days by staff to move every item in the adult print collection. Top shelves have been lowered, bottom shelves taken off the floor, and books are no longer impossibly crammed. Starting February 5, and over the course of a few days all of our lights will be turned over to LED, a project several years in the making. OverDrive is back and running and our Strategic Plan will soon be released. Don't forget to visit our <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a> too - you'll get the treat of seeing your favorite library staff at fire extinguisher training!

## **February Calendar of Events**

Feb 1: Parenting Class, 10:00 a.m.

Feb 1: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Feb 2: Winterfest Book Sale, 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

- Feb 4: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m. Feb 4: Junior Science, 4:00 p.m. Feb 4: Embracing Hygge, 6:00 p.m. Feb 5: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m. Feb 5: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.

  - Feb 5: Camden Conference, 6:00 p.m.
  - Feb 6: Beadcraft, 1:00 p.m.
  - Feb 6: Crafting Friends, 5:30 p.m.
  - Feb 6: Knitting 101, 6:00 p.m.
  - Feb 7: AARP Tax Help, 9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
  - Feb 8: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
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  - Feb 21: Yarn Embroidery, 10:30 a.m.
  - Feb 21: Family Fort Night, 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
  - Feb 22: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
  - Feb 22: Drop-In Craft, 11:00 a.m.
  - Feb 22: Teen Friday Fun, 3:00 p.m.
  - Feb 25: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m.
  - Feb 25: Homeschool Group, 6:00 p.m.
  - Feb 26: Family Storytime, 10:15
  - Feb 26: In Stitches, 10:15 a.m.
  - Feb 26: Adult Book Discussion, 1:00 p.m.
  - Feb 27: Lego Club, 4:00 p.m.
  - Feb 27: Ukulele Group, 5:30
  - Feb 27: Trivia Night, 6:30 p.m.
  - Feb 28: AARP Tax Help, 9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.





