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Library News and Events

Holiday Virtual Wine Tasting - November 15



Wreath Sale - Order by November 8, Pick-Up November 19 from 10:00-1:00





Friends of KFL Meeting - November 14

The Friends of Kennebunk Free Library invite all to attend their next meeting on Monday, November 14 at 5:30. For the agenda and additional information - or to learn more about what the Friends do - visit the <u>Friends page</u> on the KFL website.



Pop-Up Cookbook Sale - Nov. 7-12

With baking season in full swing, the Friends of KFL will be hosting a pop-up cookbook sale at the library. Books will be on a table in front of the upstairs circulation desk. Stop in to shop anytime the library is open!

Adult Programs

Tech Time - November 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30



Are you stuck on a technology question that might need some extra help to be solved? While technology is advertised to be simple and easy, sometimes it can be anything but that. Whether it be trying to use one of the library's digital services, making heads or tails of a new device, or just having a second pair of eyes help troubleshoot a piece of software, don't worry, the library is here to help!

To sign-up for one of our Tech Time appointments, please visit the front desk to be placed on our

scheduling sheet. Appointments to meet one-on-one with a librarian can be scheduled

Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 2:00-4:00 p.m.. Appointments are 45 minutes long, but there is always an opportunity to schedule a follow-up appointment if we run over our time limit. When setting up the appointment, help us to better assist you by describing the issue you want to discuss. If possible, also make sure to bring your device with you along with any needed usernames and passwords. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to visit us at the desk, call (207) 985-2173, or email our technology educator at <u>kfl@kennebunklibrary.org</u> so we can help you further.

In Stitches - November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29



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 every Tuesday at 11:00 for "In Stitches", our weekly handicrafts group! Grab that half-finished project and enjoy the company of others while you work; all skill levels are welcome. Feel free to stop by for a few minutes or stay the whole hour.

On the first Tuesday of the month, In Stitches will take place on Zoom; see our events calendar for the link to the meeting. The rest of the month, the group will meet in-person inside the library. See our events calendar for more information.

Jewish Resistance During the Holocaust - November 2



During the Holocaust, Jews resisted the Nazis in many ways and in virtually every place, from the very beginning of the Nazi rise to power to the last days of World War Two. On Wednesday, November 2 at 6:00, Alexandra Magnaud of the Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine will be at the Kennebunk Free Library to present "Jewish Resistance During the Holocaust." This program looks at the different types of

Jewish resistance, the obstacles the Jews faced, the outcomes of that resistance and how it is remembered today.

Reader's Choice Book Club - November 7

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Monday, November 7 at 2:00 p.m. This month's theme... Laughter 8 Tears

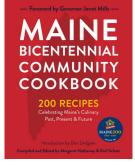


Reader's Choice Book Club will meet on Monday, November 7 at 2:00 p.m. in the Walker Room. This month's theme will be: Laughter & Tears.

How does this book club work? You choose your own book to read based on the monthly theme, and then join us for a casual and fun conversation. Everyone is welcome!

Maine Bicentennial Cookbook Authors - November 7

Margaret Hathaway and Karl Schatz, authors of the *Maine Bicentennial Community Cookbook* and *Maine Community Cookbook Volume 2* will be at the Kennebunk Free Library on Monday, November 7 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss their books. A



sampling of treats from the two cookbooks will be served!

Margaret Hathaway and Karl Schatz are the author and photographer of five books on food and farming including The Portland Maine Chef's Table: Extraordinary Recipes from Casco Bay, The New Portland Maine Chef's Table: Extraordinary Recipes from the Coast of Maine, The Food Lovers Guide to Maine, and The Year of the Goat: 40,000 Miles and the Quest for the Perfect Cheese. When not gathering recipes, they can be found leading goat hikes at Ten Apple Farm, their agritourism &

hospitality business in Gray.



Estate Planning Basics - November 9



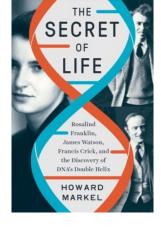
Join us at the Kennebunk Free Library on Wednesday, November 9 at 6:30 for a crash course on estate planning. This program will be a great starting point for anyone who wants the protection of an estate plan but don't know where to start. Attorney Erin Sherman from Treehouse Legal in Kennebunk will cover the basics of an estate plan, including describing what is typically included in a plan, how to provide for minor and adult children, and the differences between a Will and a Trust. You will leave the session having a better understanding of what documents will be right for you and your family, with resources on how to take the next step. There will be time reserved for general estate planning questions at the end.

Erin Sherman lives with her family in Arundel, Maine and has been practicing law for seven years. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Sustainable Design and a Juris Doctor in Law, both from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Erin recently opened her own law practice, Treehouse Legal, in Kennebunk where she focuses on Estate Planning, Business Planning and Real Estate. Erin's goal with Treehouse Legal is to create a community resource and eliminate barriers many people face in reaching out for legal assistance. She focuses on outreach, education and an easygoing, down-to-earth approach in order to empower families to get their affairs in place, so that they can get back to the things they love doing with peace of mind.

Nonfiction Book Group - November 14

Join us on Monday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss *The Secret of Life* by Howard Markel.

One of the greatest scientific discoveries of the 20th century was also the scientific heist of the century, according to this action-packed history. Historian Markel (*The Kelloggs*) recreates the 1953 elucidation of DNA's structure by Cambridge University's James Watson and Francis Crick and their rivalry with the King's College team of Rosalind Franklin and Maurice Wilkins. While for decades history books have attributed the



discovery to Watson and Crick, it really wasn't so simple, Markel writes—their discovery was based on Franklin's research that was 'borrowed' by Watson. Markel skillfully explains the knotty science behind the breakthrough and highlights the clash of outsize personalities: the mercurial, loudmouthed physicist Crick; the nerdy, manipulative molecular biologist Watson; the prickly X-ray crystallographer Franklin; the 'high-strung, bumbling' biophysicist Wilkins; and the worldrenowned chemist Linus Pauling (who threatened to beat them all). Markel decries Watson and Crick's secret appropriation of Franklin's X-ray data as 'one of the most egregious rip-offs in scientific history' and the culmination of her "oppression" by 'white, entitled, English academic lords.' His tone sometimes feels overblown, but his tart, sharp-eyed prose—'Chargaff was

unimpressed by Crick's nonstop blathering, not to mention Watson's Greek chorus of eye-bulging and snorting'—saves the day. This wonderfully evocative tale sings. (Publishers Weekly, vol 268, issue 32)

Trivia Night - November 16



Carol's Trivia Night is back! Join us on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 for an evening of fun, challenging questions. Play as an individual, bring your own team, or join a team at the library.

Take Note - November 21



Take Note will meet on Monday, November 21 at 2:00 p.m. in the Walker Room at the library.

What is Take Note? It's a monthly meetup for folks who love journals, planners, digital notebooks, snail mail, stationery, pens, & more! Our discussion is free form, and no experience is needed. All are welcome!

Sustainable Gift Wrap - November 28



yours if you have some!

Are you ready for all the wrapping that comes along with the gift-giving season? Want some ideas on how to change it up, reduce waste, and give a greener presentation this year? Join us Monday, November 28 at 6:30pm to learn about sustainable gift wrapping ideas. We will discuss both paper and non-paper options, wraps made from household items, and ways to craft recyclable and/or reusable embellishments. We will have time for sharing ideas so come with



On Wednesday, November 30 at 6:00, author and humorist Andy Young will be at the Kennebunk Free Library to discuss his latest book: *Work(s) In Progress*.

"Andy Young has written essays that have been published in nearly a dozen different newspapers in New England. And incredibly, nearly a quarter of those publications are still in business!

An English teacher at Kennebunk High School

for the past 20 years, Young is a product of the University of Connecticut, where he compiled one of the lowest grade point averages of anyone who actually graduated (in only five years!) from that elite institution of higher learning.

Prior to moving to Maine, Young worked as a radio play-by-play announcer for several minor league baseball and hockey teams, and in between those jobs he coached high school baseball, basketball, and soccer; tutored homebound students in algebra; washed dishes, cut grass, picked apples, dug irrigation ditches, sold shoes, and probably did several other jobs that he's forgotten about.

When he's not working or sleeping, Andy likes to read, write, and bike, though he rarely tries doing all three at the same time. He and his three children live in Cumberland."

November Take-and-Make Kit: Pom Pom Garland



This month's Take and Make kit includes all the materials and instructions you need to make your very own harvest-colored pom pom garland! Kits are available starting Tuesday, November 15th, while supplies last.

Teen Programs

The Dragon Hunter and Treasure Seekers Guild - November 7 & 21



Welcome young adventurers! Come and join in on an exciting quest in the world of Dungeons and Dragons. Open to new and experienced players alike. Because of the holiday break, we will meet on Monday **November 7 and 21** from 3:30-4:30 P.M. You're welcome to bring in a character from a previous game, to make a new one, or to use one of the pre-made characters provided in the starter set. All other supplies will be provided, just bring your imagination! This event is free, wheelchair accessible, and open to Teens ages 10

and up. New players are encouraged to join in on the adventure. If you have any questions, see Miss Emmaline downstairs in the children's room, or call at (207) 985-2173.

Chill Gaming - November 10



Ready to chill, eat snacks, and play some games? Come hang out with friends, test out your gaming card decks, play on our Nintendo Switch, try out new RPG board games, or anything else in between for our event, Chill Gaming! Basically anything that relaxes you is welcome and encouraged! Because of the holiday break, we will meet on Thursday, **November 10** from 3:30 -4:30 P.M. There will be games provided by the library, but players are free to bring their own

games, learn new games at their own pace, or you can just come to hang out and have a good time listening to some lofi beats! This event is free, wheelchair accessible, and open to Teens ages 10 and up. If you have any questions, see Miss Emmaline in the Children's Room, or call at (207) 985-2173.

Children's Programs



Beadcraft - November 2

Beadcraft is back! 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, or age 5 with a caregiver, are invited to join us for an afternoon of beading fun on Wednesday, November 2 at 1 p.m. Design suggestions will be offered, but creativity is encouraged! All craft materials will be provided. <u>Registration</u> is recommended but not required.



Drop-In Crafts - November 11

Are you ready to get crafty? Come to Kennebunk Free Library on Friday, November 11 between 2:30 and 4:30 p.m. to make a craft or two celebrating Fall and gratitude! All ages are welcome to attend. No registration required.



Jr. Science - November 14

Do you love dinosaurs? Want to learn more about fossils? Come and join us for Jr. Science on Monday, November 14 at 3:45p.m.! We will be digging for fossils and maybe even making our own! This program is open to ages 7 and up; <u>registration</u> is required!



In a world where you can be anything, be kind! Kennebunk Free Library is launching a brand-new Kindness Club on Tuesday, November 15, at 3:45 pm. At our first meeting, we'll get to know each other by talking about ways we can be kind and ideas we have for our club. We'll also share a story about kindness and do a coloring activity. This program is open to ages 6 and up; registration is appreciated but not required! Kindness has no age requirement – if a friend younger than 6 would like to join in, please reach out to Miss Maria at <u>mrichardson@kennebunklibrary.org</u>, or 985-2173 x 105.

Lego Club - November 18

Ready to get building? Kennebunk Free Library is offering a Lego Club for children ages 4 and older. Lego Club will meet on Friday, November 18, from 4:00-4:45 p.m. Come and build new and imaginative creations or ask the librarian for a challenge to complete. All Lego blocks will be supplied; please leave yours at home. <u>Registration</u> is appreciated.



Card Making Station - November 26

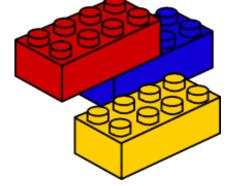
There's no better way to show your love than with a handmade card. Come to Kennebunk Free Library on Saturday, November 26 between 12:00 and 4:00 to make a card for a friend or loved one! We'll have all the supplies ready – just stop in and get creative! Work together as a family or create your own cards. All ages are welcome to attend. No registration required.

Outdoor Storytime - November

It's time for Storytime! On Mondays at 10:00 a.m., join Miss Maria for songs, stories, and fun! It's starting to get chillier, but we'll have Storytime outside near the Faerie Garden as long as we can. Bring a blanket or towel to sit on, and don't forget to bundle up if it's chilly! No worries if it's too cold -- in the event of rain or inclement weather, storytime will be held indoors.

Upcoming storytime dates include:

- November 7
- November 14
- November 21
- November 28





The results for this month's Would You Rather question are in! In October, we asked, "Would you rather live on a farm or live in a city?" 32 friends wanted to live on a farm, while 40 friends would prefer to live in a city. 5 friends just couldn't decide and placed a sticker right on the center line. It's a tough question! Which would you choose? Keep an eye out for our next Would You Rather question in the Children's Room!



Speers Gallery

November Artist: Andrea Roth Kimmich

The Kennebunk Free Library announces its next Speers Gallery exhibit, "Lone Scapes" by Andrea Roth Kimmich, featuring acrylic and oil paintings on wood custom selected for each piece. The exhibit runs from November 1-30, and the public is invited to an artist's reception on Tuesday, November 8 from 3-6 pm. Andrea is a trained classical pianist, with advanced studies in film and photography. She has also informally been, since childhood, a student of textile arts, mostly knitting and crocheting; later woodworking, printmaking and figure drawing. She enjoys dabbling in a variety of arts and says "I feel such joy in making something from nothing, whether it's a gazpacho made



from produce picked up at a farm stand, a gypsy scarf made from a leftover wool, or a painting using some discarded paints and wood."

Her membership in Arts Organizations include: Ossining Arts Council, River Tree Arts, Maine Women in the Arts, and her work has been shown in a number of galleries in the greater New York area, as well as a few in southern Maine, with her first sola show in Maine in the Kennebunk Free Library's Speers Gallery now.

Andrea is delighted to have moved a part of her focus to Maine and its spectacular landscapes, and the Kennebunk Free Library is pleased to display the work of this talented artist.

The public is invited to view the exhibit in the library's Speers Gallery from November 1-30, 2022 at 112 Main St., Kennebunk, Maine during regular library hours when the gallery is not in use for library programs. Please check the library website for current hours and gallery access, <u>www.kennebunklibrary.org</u>.

New Books, Audio Books, and DVDs

Please note that the new items lists below are updated regularly, but through a quirk of the system, the newest items go to the end of the list. If you want to see the newest arrivals, start on the last page and work your way backward.

<u>Click here</u> for a look at books that arrived in the last month.

<u>Click here</u> for audio/video that arrived in the last month.

Click here for new children's items that arrived in the last month

Click here for new teen items that arrived in the last month

Want to know if we have this week's New York Times bestsellers available in our various collections (print, large print, audio, ebook, eaudio)?

<u>Click here</u> to see the fiction and nonfiction best seller list.

November 1 We Are the Light – Matthew Quick Going Rogue – Janet Evanovich Theft of an Idol – Dana Stabenow

November 8 Desert Star – Michael Connelly A Christmas Deliverance – Anne Perry Peril in Paris – Rhys Bowen Dawnlands – Philippa Gregory Murder at Black Oaks – Philip Margolin Blood Moon – Heather Graham

November 15 The Perfect Assassin – James Patterson

November 22

Hunting Time – Jeffery Deaver A Christmas Memory – Richard Paul Evans The Whittiers – Danielle Steel The Choice – Nora Roberts A World of Curiosities – Louise Penny

A Message from the Library Director



KFL is a 501c3 nonprofit that needs to raise over \$200,000 each year to supplement funding from the Towns of Kennebunk and Arundel. November welcomes many opportunities to support KFL through a variety of fundraisers. Order your holiday wreaths by November 8 for pickup at the library on the 19. A virtual wine tasting with the expertise from owner Lani Dietz of Maine and Vine will be held online the evening of Tuesday, November 15. Our holiday giving campaign will also be underway starting mid-month so keep an eye out for those details as we have an exciting challenge to meet.

I encourage you to check out the <u>Library Use Value</u> <u>Calculator</u> hosted on the Maine State Library's website to estimate the amount of money you save per month by using Kennebunk Free Library. Also, as a resident of York County you can get a <u>Portland</u> <u>Public Library card</u> for free as well and utilize all of their in-person and online resources.

Pictured: One evening while I was reading my daughter her bedtime stories, she drew this picture of me reading to her while she sat on her bed drawing.

Staff Picks & Messages

Kat, Library Assistant

How to Cook Everything fast by Mark Bittman

Mark Bittman has done it again, put together a down to earth, practical and fresh group of recipes. Several variations are included with each recipe and I appreciate the options. The Introduction sets the tone "Time to Cook – The Fast Kitchen" with helpful ideas to make food preparation fit into a busy family lifestyle. For the

beginner, this book offers wonderful advice for what staples to keep on hand and equipment choices to make. There are many recipes for chicken, beans and tofu. We really enjoyed my version of "Corn Salad with Garlic Chicken". I hope to make "Warm Three-Bean Potato Salad", "Seared Porkchops with Apples and Onions", and "Bok Choy Pancake with Soy Dipping Sauce". This was just what I needed to freshen up our menu planning.

Where the Crawdads Sing - directed by Olivia Newman, screenplay by Lucy Alibar, produced by Reese Witherspoon and Lauren Neustadter

So many people read this book when it first came out and again as the movie was to be released, there were long hold lists. I loved the book: the story of a young girl, Kiya, abandoned by her parents in the bayou of North Carolina. Kiya manages to survive and even thrive surrounded by the swamp. She develops as a naturalist and artist, experiences being a public outcast and romance. The movie switched events around, and we learn of the murder from the start. The nature shots are wonderful, and the story is told well. I enjoyed the movie almost as much as the book.

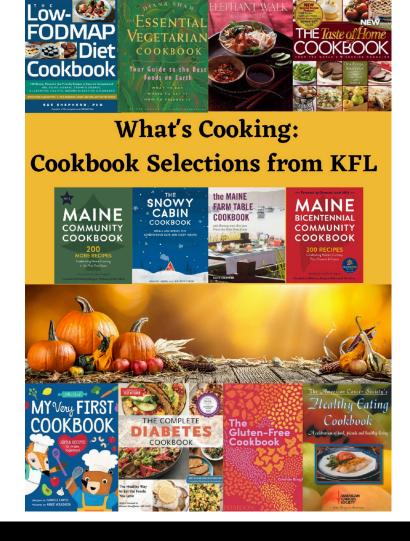
Craft Kit 12 Watercolor Pencil Art

This was a fun activity for me and my 5-year-old granddaughter. You draw with the pencils on the extra heavy watercolor paper and then using a brush and water, create a watercolor design. Once I used the water, I went back and used more pencil and more water. Easy to do and provides satisfying results.

Check out all the craft kits: quilling, pottery, coloring, stamping, embroidery, frame painting, hand lettering, punch needle embroidery, block printing, Bob Ross Cross Stitch, and needle felting. Available only to KFL card holders.



Denise, Library Assistant



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