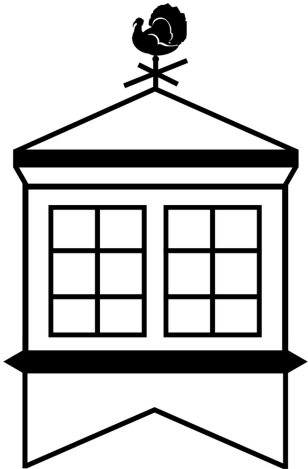


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SEPTEMBER BULLETIN



EAST KINGSTON
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Masking up at EKPL

As Autumn approaches, we are reflecting on the last 18 months here at the library. We had to figure out different way to do our jobs and provide our community with the services that they were used to getting at the library.

There are things that will continue as the COVID-19 numbers rise in Rockingham County, due to the Delta variant. We will continue to have Zoom story hours and a few outdoor story hours as the weather allows. Most of our programs will be on Zoom. We will return to wearing masks in the library for everyone, whether vaccinated or not. We do this for a number of reasons: For example, East Kingston has about 49% of people vaccinated. We know that there are people who come into the library who do not wear masks and are not vaccinated.

As members of the community we feel it's important to be part of a concerted effort to make sure that children can continue to go to a brick-and-mortar school. If numbers continue to rise, we fear that children will go back to virtual school and no one wants that. In order to do this, we need to keep all members of our community safe. So, having said that, please be kind and polite. No one likes to wear a mask, but maybe if we all do it, we can get through this pandemic faster. If you feel strongly about not wearing a mask, check out our webpage and catalog. We are happy to pull whatever you need and put it outside for pickup. Born out of Covid, curbside pick up is here to stay. If you can't get here before we close, give us a call and we will leave what you need out on the table.

Just a reminder as the kids head back to school. You can use your library card to access Brainfuse to get help with homework, create flashcards, practice standardized tests and interact with a live tutor. Check our website for more info at eastkingstonlibrary.org.

Story Hour

For the foreseeable future, Story Hour at the library will continue to be virtual and outdoor (weather-permitting) only. Those who sign up for virtual story hour will be given a kit at the beginning of each month that includes all the materials to follow along with Ms. Tracy as she reads her books and makes a craft. Outdoor story hour is movement based, meaning after the stories, kids will learn how to fly kites, plant gardens, play with hoola hoops and more. Think this is something your child would enjoy? Contact the library to sign up! Outdoor story hours are twice a month on Mondays at 10am (weather permitting), and virtual story hours are every Friday at 10am.

Great Stone Face Book Club is BACK!

After an August hiatus, the Great Stone Face book club is back! This book club, great for grades 3-6, is all about NH's favorite award, the Great Stone Face Award! Think you'd like to join? Call the library for more information! Our next book club meeting will be held on September 18th at 1pm. We'll be discussing *Prairie Evers* by Ellen Airgood.

Get in touch!

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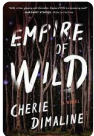



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East Kingston, NH Library



| MONDAY 9AM-3PM | TUESDAY 3PM-7PM | WEDNESDAY 9AM-3PM | THURSDAY 3PM-7PM | FRIDAY 9AM-1PM | SATURDAY 9AM-1PM |
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| September 2021 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 6 CLOSED | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 10am STORY HOUR  | 18 1pm GREAT STONE FACE B.C.  |
| 20 | 21 | 22 7pm EK BOOK CLUB  | 23 | 24 10am STORY HOUR  | 25 |
| 27 7pm TRUSTEE MTG. | 28 | 29 | 30 | | |

Friends of EKPL News



Quilt Raffle

The Friends have restarted their quilt raffle! The beautiful quilt, made by local Diane Sheckells, is currently on display in the library by the front door and comes with a matching accent pillow. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for 6 tickets.



Pound School Used Book Store

Visit us at the Used Book Store, located at 41 Depot Road, East Kingston, NH. All proceeds go directly to the Friends of the East Kingston Public Library. We are staffed by local volunteers; if anyone is interested in volunteering, please contact the library!

Etc.

The next Friends of East Kingston Public Library Quarterly Meeting will take place on Thursday October 28th. Please mark your calendars - we would love to have you join us!

Bookmark our website to stay informed of our activities, including our Used Book Store sales.
www.eastkingstonlibrary.org/friends-of-ekpl

If you have any questions or would like to become a member, please email the Friends at friendsofekpl@gmail.com.