



FRIENDS OF THE KEENE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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Friends' Meetings

Board meetings are open to all members and are usually held at 7PM on the second Wednesday of the month at the library.

Future Meeting Dates:

Jan 14, Feb 11, Mar 11, Apr 15

FKPL Online

www.keenepubliclibrary.org/library/friends



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Mission Statement

The purpose of the Friends of the Keene Public Library is to support the Library and staff in areas not funded by the city budget and to provide enriching programs at no charge for adults and children in the community.

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Have ideas for the newsletter?
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2015: The Year of Jonathan Daniels

Since the year 2015 marks the 50th anniversary of the assassination of Keene native Jonathan Myrick Daniels, Major Kendall Lane will issue a proclamation declaring the year 2015 as the year of Jonathan Daniels at the City Council meeting on January 15, 2015.

Jonathan Daniels was a seminarian who answered the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s call for clergy to help register black voters in the south. He was killed by a local deputy sheriff in Hayneville, taking the bullet for fellow civil rights worker, Ruby Sales. The mayoral proclamation asks that all citizens in Keene and the Monadnock Region join in honoring Jonathan Daniels and strive "to follow his example of compassion, understanding, and his never ending desire to serve and to help his fellow man."

The Jonathan Daniels Commemoration Committee is coordinating and publicizing events that will take place throughout the year 2015, culminating in the weekend of August 22-23, which will include a free screening of the documentary, *Here Am I, Send Me*, with the filmmakers and special guests on Saturday, as well as a special worship service at St. James Episcopal Church on Sunday.

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Board Approves Funding for the Library "Wish List"

'Tis the season for giving, and one of the true joys for the Friends every December is to make their commitment to help the library purchase items from the annual wish list they submit to us. This month we were happy to approve the expenditure of \$52,000 towards the following items from which we will all benefit and enjoy throughout the year. Happy Holidays Keene Public Library!

2015 Requests	
Equipment for Making Programs and Activities	\$1,025.00
Printer/copier Paper and Service for 1st Floor Printer	\$1,500.00
Collection Maintenance	\$15,000.00
Microfilm Machine and Maintenance	\$10,600.00
Donations for Holiday Luncheons	\$200.00
Aquarium Cleaning and Supplies	\$500.00
Video Cameras	\$1,500.00
Piano Tuning and Repairs	\$500.00
First Aid Cabinet Supplies	\$1,000.00
Vertex Garden Rocker Rolling Cart	\$75.00
Coat tree	\$100.00
Summer Interns	\$3,000.00
Total 2015 Requests	\$35,000.00
2015 Programming Expenses	\$17,000.00
TOTAL	\$52,000.00

Library Events Sponsored by the Friends*

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Frozen Sing Along

Mon Dec 22 1-2:30 PM Auditorium

Come see and sing along to Disney's animated film *Frozen*. Then make a craft and have a treat.



Crazy 8's Math Club for K-2nd Grade Students

Eight Tuesdays beginning Jan 6, except for Feb 24 (school break) 4-5 PM Story Room

Registration required

Crazy 8s is a math club unlike any before it. It's a collection of novel, high-octane math activities that will appeal to a wide range of kids, not just the future math-contest types.

We'll offer mischief-making activities that kids love, like Bouncy Dice Explosion and Toilet Paper Olympics. We start with the fun, then roll in the math.

PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

Family Dance @ Your Library With Allison Aldrich Hunt

Fri Jan 2 6:30-8:30PM Heberton Hall

With Luke Donforth

Fri Feb 6 6:30-8:30PM Heberton Hall

TEEN PROGRAMS

Do It Together Crafternoons

Middle Grade Area

LED Color Changing "Candle"

Fri Dec 19 3-5 PM

Make a simple color changing light that is great for kids and adults.

Snow Globes

Fri Jan 16 3-5 PM



TEEN PROGRAMS, cont'd

MakerBot & Tinkercad Studio

Jan 7, 14, 26 3-6 PM

Youth Department Creation Station Sign up for a Lab and we'll show you how to use the 3D printer and the basics of how to find and download something to make.

After School Movie Matinees

Wednesdays 4-6 PM Auditorium

Jan 7 The Dark Knight Rises

Jan 14 If I Stay

Jan 21 Earth to Echo

Jan 28 The Hundred Foot Journey



ADULT PROGRAMS

It's Not About The Hike: The LAST Presentation

Sat Dec 27 3-4:15 PM

Heberton Hall

Author Nancy Sporborg talks about her book *It's Not About the Hike*, the motivational story of two ordinary women in the second half of their lives who start out walking the sidewalks of their hometown and end up climbing 190 mountains through all four seasons. This is the FINAL time that Nancy and her hiking partner Pat Piper will present this presentation, you DO NOT want to miss this great motivational experience!

Adult Craft Night -- Bookmark Extravaganza

Tues Jan 6 6:30-8 PM Kay Fox Room

Come make, craft, and create in a friendly and supportive group on the first Tuesday of the month.

New Digital Gadget Drop-In Help

Sat Jan 10 1-4 PM

Faulkner Gallery

Bring your questions and your new iPad, Kindle, or tablet to the library.



ADULT PROGRAMS, cont'd

Created Equal Programs

The Created Equal film set and public programs have been made possible by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, as part of its Bridging Cultures initiative, in partnership with the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History.

Both events begin with a free Community Dinner at 6 PM in the Kay Fox room. Registration required.

King's Journey To Activism-and Ours

Thur Jan 15 6:30-8 PM

Heberton Hall

Steve Chase, core faculty member in the Department of Environmental Studies at Antioch New England, will speak about Dr. King's and other civil rights leaders' pathways to activism.

America's Civil Rights Struggle -- The Loving Story Film and Community Discussion

Thur Feb 12 6:30-8:30 PM Auditorium

This evening's discussion is led by Dottie Morris, the Chief Officer for Diversity and Multiculturalism at Keene State College.



The Power of Place: Encounter-ing Auschwitz

Wed Jan 21 7-8PM Heberton Hall

Tom White, coordinator of educational outreach for the Cohen Center for Holocaust Studies, speaks about his recent visit to Auschwitz.

Douglas Sirk Film Series

Wednesdays 7-9 PM Auditorium

Jan 7 Written on the Wind

Jan 14 Magnificent Obsession

Jan 21 All That Heaven Allows

Jan 28 Imitation of Life



*This is just a sampling of library events sponsored by the Friends. The Calendar of Events on the library website has a complete listing.

Visits to the Boston Museum of Science and VINS

By Jill Cielinski

Our family took advantage of two Museum Pass opportunities this past summer and fall. First, we went to the Museum of Science. I grew up in the Boston area and went to this museum many, many times. I went occasionally as a young adult and found it to be much unchanged and many of exhibits I had loved as a child did not work. It was disappointing!

Our visit this summer was great! The museum exhibits have been updated with educational, hands-on displays and activities. It was exciting to bring my children through the entire Museum. There is actually a little “historical” section that highlights some of the exhibits from the past (Yes, I am that old!). One of our favorite exhibits was the Butterfly Garden where you walk among the butterflies in their man-made habitat (carefully!). We also enjoyed the Conserve @ Home exhibit where you have the opportunity to discover the real energy sappers and savers in an average home. The Hall of Life was another great exhibit to explore. The interactive displays are both fun and educational. My kids especially loved the giant game of “Operation.” While there are many more things to do there, we only had time for one live show, Electricity! Which was amazing. If you have not been to The Museum of Science in a while, I recommend it!



We also had the opportunity to go to VINS (Vermont Institute of Natural Science). A lovely, 47 acre campus adjacent to Quechee State park. VINS is primarily an avian wild-life rehabilitation center that promotes research and education. There are three main things to do there. We first went to the raptor enclosures where we were able to see the many rescued raptor species. There are staff members available to educate and answer questions. Our next stop was to attend one of the live raptor shows, a fun learning experience for all ages. We completed our visit by walking the rather short, but lovely nature trail. VINS is definitely worth the trip, but a visit there could easily be paired with another area attraction, such as the picturesque town of Woodstock, a visit to the Simon Pearce Mill, or a hike into the Quechee Gorge (just 2 miles away).



Book Sale Success

Thanks to generous community donors and patrons and a hardworking team of volunteers, our October Book Sale was a resounding success, bringing in \$15,946.28. All proceeds go to equipment, programs and collection development at the Keene Public Library. Our Spring Book Sale will take place **April 10, 11 and 12, 2015** – mark your calendars!

Volunteers are still needed to help sort and price book donations throughout the year. If you can spare an hour or two per week or per month, please call and leave a message at 357-6191.



Jonathan Daniels (continued from Page 1)

Following is a selection of upcoming events through the month of April being planned by various organizations in Keene. Please visit the www.jonathandaniels50.org website for a more complete and up-to-date listing. If you would like more information about these events, or if you would like to inform the committee about events that your organization is planning, please send an email to jonathandanielscommittee@gmail.com.



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COMMEMORATION 2015
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Date/Time	Event	Location
Jan 15 6:30 PM	Created Equal: King's Journey To Activism-and Ours	Keene Public Library (see page 2 for details)
Jan 19 8:00 AM	Martin Luther King, Jr./Jonathan Daniels Annual Interfaith Breakfast	St. George Greek Orthodox Church 70 West Street, Keene, NH
Feb 12 6:30 PM	Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle - The Loving Story Film and Community Discussion	Keene Public Library (see page 2 for details)
Apr 10 - May 10	Civil Rights Icon Exhibit at the Historical Society of Cheshire County. Opening Lecture on April 10.	The Historical Society of Cheshire County 246 Main Street, Keene, NH



Be a Friend to the Library!

Friends of the Keene Public Library Membership Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Membership Options

- Book Friend up to \$15/year
- Book Worm \$16-\$25/year
- Book Conservator \$26-\$50/year
- Book Angel \$51-\$100/year
- Special Edition \$100+/year

Does your employer match charitable contributions?

- Yes No

If yes, please provide your employer's name and contact information:

All contributions are tax deductible. Please make checks payable to Friends of the Keene Public Library, or FKPL.

Please return this form to:

Friends of the Keene Public Library
 60 Winter Street
 Keene, NH 03431

Keene Public Library Upcoming Holiday Hours

- Wednesday December 24** Library closes at 3 PM
- Thursday December 25** Library closed
- Wednesday December 31** Library closes at 6 PM
- Thursday January 1** Library closed
- Monday January 19** Library closed
- Monday February 16** Library closed

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