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The Secret Lives of the Gulls of Appledore

Gulls often elicit strong feelings. Thieving french fries at the beach and dumpster diving behind fast-food restaurants has earned them a negative reputation among humans. What most people do not know is that gulls have rich social lives. They have individual quirks, personalities, and habits, much like we do, and they may not be as common or successful in our human-altered world as you might think. Join us to learn about the lives of your wild neighbors, the gulls nesting Appledore Island in the Isles of Shoals archipelago.

The Secret Lives of the Gulls of Appledore will be presented by East Kingston's own Sarah Courchesne.

When: Thursday, January 13 @7pm via Zoom! Sign up is required. Contact the library for more (603) 642-8333.

## Plastic Recycling

The Library is embarking on a plastic/film recycling challenge sponsored by Trex! Starting January 1 and ending June 30, the library will try to collect 500 pounds, or 40,500 plastic film and bags. We will have three different collection boxes stationed around town. This program is to help remove some of the excess waste from your trash bins, as well as keeping these light plastics out of our soils and our oceans.

At the end of our six month collection window, if we succeed in our goals, we will get a Trex bench, made entirely out of the recycled plastics from the program! It's a win-win East Kingston, NH Library situation for all of us!









#### Diane Sheckells Retires

After over 20 years working for the East Kingston Public Library, Diane is retiring!

Diane started at the East Kingston Public Library in 1999 working in the Pound School with Tracy. She worked her library job alongside her art teaching job at the Barnard School in South Hampton.

Over the years, Diane has put together amazing programs focused around art for all ages. Zoe remembers when they made t-shirts with leaves and bleach in the driveway of the Pound School fro summer reading in the early 2000's. She still has the shirt! Heather said one of her favorite memories of the Pound School was when Diane and Tracy greeted her behind the desk ready to help with whatever she needed.

Diane created the most beautiful displays. Try as all the rest of the staff might, they could never make as beautiful as Diane did. Diane has hosted programs like Shibori tie dye, barn quilt paintings, and sewing classes. She has taught both children and adults quilting techniques for all levels. Over the years, she created her beautiful quilts for the Friend's Quilt Raffle. She was also adept at finding amazing artists to display their art collections. Since COVID-19 struck, Diane has been working on an East Kingston history project, talking to homeowners and writing histories of the oldest buildings in town, as well as cataloging and categorizing all of our oldest documents.

Diane has been instrumental in the function and growth of our town library. She will be greatly missed and we wish her the best in her future endeavors! Happy retirement, Diane

MONDAY 9AM-5PM	TUESDAY 11AM-7PM	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 9AM-5PM	THURSDAY 11AM-7PM	FRIDAY 9AM-1PM	SATURDAY 9AM-1PM
January 2022					1 CLOSED
3	4	5	6	7 10am STORY HOUR	8
10	11	12	7pm THE SECRET LIVES OF THE GULLS OF APPLEDORE	14 10am STORY HOUR	15 1pm GREAT STONE FACE BOOK CLUB
17 CLOSED for MLK Jr Day	18	19	<b>20 7pm</b> FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING	21 10am STORY HOUR	22 11am PEA ROBOTICS
24 5pm TRUSTEE MTG.	25	26 5:30pm EK BOOK CLUB	27	28 10am STORY HOUR	29



# **Friends of EKPL News**



#### 2022 Membership Drive wrapping up but there is still time!

We kicked off our 2022 Friends Membership Drive at the end of November. This is our most important fundraising period. The support we receive during this drive allows us to budget and plan for the year ahead with confidence that we can continue to support the library's ability to offer the kinds of programming and opportunities that we hope helps to enrich the lives of our community.

If you do not receive an email or letter from us regarding the drive, please reach out at the email below, or inquire at the library!

#### 2022 Meeting Dates - Please mark your calendars!

We would love to have you join us at our upcoming meetings. They are held at the EK Public Library and begin at 7pm.

- · Thursday January 20th, 2022: Q4 2021 & Annual Meeting
  - · Thursday April 21st, 2022: Q1 2022 Meeting
  - · Thursday July 22nd, 2022: Q2 2022 Meeting
  - · Thursday October 20th, 2022: Q3 2022 Meeting

Board elections occur at our Annual Meeting, and we still have three positions open – Secretary, Fundraising Director, and Social Media Director. If you have any questions or would like more information, please email the Friends at friendsofekpl@gmail.com.

As always, thank you for your support!