



Weare in the World

For Weare Residents, By Weare Residents

June 8, 2022

John Stark Names Top Graduates

The John Stark Regional High School Valedictorian for 2022 is Grace Caplan and Salutatorian is Gracie Bolduc.

Caplan, of Henniker, has been very active in the John Stark Chapter of Amnesty International during all four years at John Stark. She was also a member of the school's cross-country team for four years, track and field for three years, and the John Stark Chapter of the Leo Club.



Grace Caplan

"My overwhelming feeling leaving John Stark is just a lot of love and appreciation for the teachers that I had," Caplan said in a school release. "Each one of them has modeled to me how to be a good person. My teachers have been such a positive input in my life."

Caplan's biggest takeaway about COVID-19's impact on high school?

"That would be the time that we spent away from school," she said. "The schedule that we had last year (a hybrid of two days in school and three days remote) was sometimes difficult, but the balance of free time where we could shape our own time was so impactful. It showed me how much better school could be designed for the well-being of the students."

Caplan is the daughter of Tony and Susan Caplan. She will attend Dartmouth College in the fall.

Bolduc, of Weare, is the president of the French Honor Society and Vice President of the National Honor Society and the Leo Club. She played softball and field hockey all four years at John Stark and is the current captain of the varsity softball team and has been captain of the varsity field hockey team for the last two years. She was awarded Most



Grace Bolduc

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New Assistant Principal to Take Post at Weare Middle School/Upper Elem.

SAU 24 Superintendent Jacqueline Coe last week announced the appointment of Jenn Huard as Assistant Principal of Student Services at Weare Middle/Center Woods Upper Elementary School effective July 1.

Huard comes to WMS/CWUES from Souhegan High School, where she served as the special education administrator. Before that, she was the inclusion facilitator and a learning specialist at Souhegan. During her time there, Huard was dedicated to building a system of support to provide necessary services to all students. She holds a Master of Education in Special Education from Plymouth State University and a B.A. in Elementary and Special Education from Southern New Hampshire University.



Jenn Huard

"I am excited to be joining the Weare Middle/Center Woods Upper Elementary community," Huard said in a school release. "I am eager to work collaboratively with the faculty, students, and families to build a positive educational experience that supports all learners."



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PETS

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June 5th – Pet Week

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Valuable Player for field hockey in 2021, All-State field hockey player (2019-2021), N.H. Top 20 Player of the Twin State field hockey team (2022) and All-State softball player (2021).

Bolduc is the daughter of David and Carla Bolduc. She will attend Endicott College in the fall to study biology and biotechnology. She also committed to playing field hockey at Endicott College.

Pelletier and Stafford Selected as Speakers for JSRHS Graduation

JSRHS seniors Isabella Pelletier and Diana Stafford, both of Weare, have been selected as this year's class speakers for graduation by John Stark faculty and staff. There was a tie this year when selecting the student who most embodies the school's vision—a learner who engages their mind in the pursuit of individual academic growth, social awareness and community involvement with regard, respect and integrity.

John Stark Principal Gary Dempsey made the decision to have two speakers due to the tie. Pelletier and Stafford have chosen to deliver their speech together.

Pelletier, the daughter of Dennis and Jennifer Pelletier, is a student representative to the John Stark School District Board, Student Council President and a member of DECA and Peer Leaders. She is a four-time John Stark Scholar Athlete and was named captain of the John Stark field hockey team in 2021.



"I am so thankful for the lifelong memories and lessons I take away from John Stark and all the faculty, staff and my peers," Pelletier said. "I cannot thank everyone enough that has helped me over the last four years to get to the point I am at today."

She will major in sports management at the University of St. Joseph in Connecticut. She will also play field hockey for the school.

Stafford has served as President of DECA for three years and is the Public Outreach Officer of the John Stark Chapter of the National Honor Society. She is a member of Peer Leadership, played varsity soccer, and was captain of the varsity softball team.



"My grandpa always says life is about memories, and that is exactly what I have been making during these years," Stafford said. "Looking back, I wouldn't change it for the world."

Stafford is the daughter of Mike Stafford and Frances Plunkett. She will study environmental engineering at the University of New Hampshire. For a full list of graduates, see page 12.

John Stark Regional High School graduation will be held outside on the football field on Saturday, June 11 at 10 a.m. It is rain or shine, and only moderate to severe weather will move the time to later that day or to Sunday. Ticketed guests only.



Members of American Legion Post 65 honored veterans with a ceremony and the placement of commemorative displays at Pine Grove Cemetery on Memorial Day (Tom Clow photo).

Memorial Day Speaker Urges Involvement in Veteran Affairs

By Tom Clow

J.P. Marzullo, the guest speaker at the Memorial Day program held in the Weare Middle School Cafetorium on Monday, May 30, urged those present to get involved in veteran affairs. After giving a brief history of Memorial Day, which was first called Decoration Day, Marzullo spoke of the plight of many veterans returning from war. He specifically mentioned Liberty House in Manchester as a program for veterans and a place where the community can help.

According to its website, Liberty House helps homeless and struggling veterans by connecting them to available
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resources and providing a safe, substance-free transitional house. It is a program of Catholic Charities of N.H.

Marzullo served in the N.H. House of Representatives from 2018 to 2020 representing Hillsborough County District 2, which includes Weare and Deering. While in the legislature, he served on the State-Federal Relations Veterans Affairs Committee.



J.P. Marzullo

Following the program at the WMS, members of American Legion Philbrick-Clement Post 65, sponsors of the day's observances, moved to the memorial in front of the Stone Building. After a firearms salute to veterans, a commemorative display was placed at the base of the memorial. From there, Legion members and others wishing to participate moved on to Pine Grove Cemetery on East Road where another salute was followed by placing displays on the graves of Richard and Della Clement. The Memorial Day activities ended with a visit to the gravesite of George A. Philbrick at Hillside Cemetery in South Weare.

Anyone wishing to know more about Liberty House or wanting to get involved can visit the organization's website at www.libertyhousenh.org, where you will find ample ways to help, from monetary donations to onsite volunteering.

to the N.H. K-12 educator who excels at teaching civics (content, skills and attitudes) and who has taken on statewide leadership in civics education. The award is sponsored by the N.H. Council of the Social Studies (NHCSS) and the N.H. Civics Institute. Wilson will be recognized at the NHCSS event in October at the Doubletree Hilton in Manchester.



Back row, l-r: Pribis, Jaylynn Coker, Reese Pike, Olivia Clancy, Katie Lorenz, Landon O'Connor, Grant Spooner, Leland Richman, Owen Dion, Dylan Bryant. front row, l-r: Ava Newell, Audrey Rich, Tyler Andrews, Ben Lanier and Gage Dumont. missing from photo: Rylee Barnard, Parker Greenhalge, and Lilly Manuele (courtesy photo).

The first-ever Weare Middle School Eighth Grade **Literary Magazine** was launched this spring by students in class with English teacher Bill Pribis. Each student received a copy and staff could purchase the extra copies for a suggested \$5 donation, which was given to the Mile of Pennies fundraiser underway at the school. Below is the forward for the literary magazine written by Pribis.

"By now, my students know that Stephen King is my favorite author. In his wonderful book, "On Writing - A Memoir of the Craft," Mr. King describes "what writing is" in the following incredibly simple and thought-provoking manner: "Telepathy, of course."

Until reading those words, it had never occurred to me that the acts of writing and reading were a form of extrasensory perception. But of course, they are! I've never met Mr. King (although I would dearly love to). He has never spoken a word to me. I've never even seen him in person. Yet I can pick up my well-worn and well-loved copy of "The Shining" and literally know what was going through Stephen King's mind over forty years ago. If that ain't ESP, then I don't know what is.

Being an eighth-grader is no picnic. You're in the process of trading in your childhood for a future that you don't really understand but that you can't wait to happen. That can be frustrating and scary. And your need to fit in -- to find a group of peers who will accept and love you -- can be overwhelming at times. Indeed,


School News




Elka Fuller, a seventh grader at WMS, has been selected as a finalist for the Mikva Challenge, a speech contest. Thousands of speeches were submitted; Fuller, whose topic is food waste, and 12 others from across the country were to be showcased at the Soapbox Nation Mainstage on June 7. from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Mikva Challenge was founded on the premise that youth voice and participation matter and that our civic and political life will be stronger when youth participate and help shape their own destinies..

Weare Middle School grades 7/8 social studies teacher **Holly Wilson** has been selected to receive this year's Mary Susan Leahy Civics Educator Award. The award is given



sometimes students' sole concern seems to be their friends.

But in the stories that follow, and through the "telepathy" of their writing, students' barriers are broken down. We get to peek into the amazing minds of these young men and women. We get to experience the remarkable worlds and characters that live in their imaginations. We get to see that their thinking goes far deeper than a typical eighth grader's behavior and demeanor might indicate. Through their writing, we see that there is far more to these students than what often seems to meet the eye.

Many "grown-ups" presume and worry that our middle schoolers' young minds are being ruined by television, the internet and video games. Maybe that is a valid concern. But get to know Celona, the remarkable young lady who lives in Jaylynn Coker's mind. Take some time to explore the world Parker Greenhalge created where Saoirse Aoife trains to be a warrior under the watchful eye of her mother. Experience the drama of Dylan Bryant's three gentlemen-- stuck in a room together-- each one accused of committing the same murder. Listen to the rich dialogue between Lilly Manuele's fascinating characters named Vincent and Brijer. Has there ever been a better title for a story than Reese Pike's "Cudda Bin a Tizzy"? I think readers of this magazine will agree that there is hope yet for the minds of this up and coming generation.

Active Intruder Drill

Reproduced from 6/1 school newsletter

Given the recent news in Texas, we at Weare in the World are reproducing this bulletin from our schools for the general public.

"Weare Middle and Center Woods Upper Elementary Schools have been enhancing the way we respond to school emergencies. All schools in the state are required to practice annual intruder drills per RSA 189:64 Amendment. So far this year, we have practiced evacuation, lockdown, clear hallways and shelter-in-place drills as a way of keeping students safe in case of emergencies. It is now time to practice our response to an intruder. We plan to perform this drill on Wednesday, May 25.

Over the past several years, schools and agencies have determined that there are better ways to keep children safe if these types of situations arise. 3,700 K-12 schools and 900 universities have implemented a training called ALICE. ALICE is an acronym which means Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate. The U.S. Department of Education and the Department of Homeland Security have supported ALICE and other similar training for

schools. **Why?** The training teaches adults and students to be alert, hide, run, etc. based on the event. The ALICE protocol is designed to enhance safety and provide additional, effective options if an intruder enters.

What does an ALICE Drill look like?

Teachers have already received ALICE training online and in person, and they have already spoken with their classes about what learning communities would do if an intruder were in the building. Students will follow staff directions in an emergency situation and go to rally points.

Alert: We will tell students and staff that we are practicing an ALICE drill. We have scheduled grade-level assemblies to quickly review what the drill will sound and look like. We will announce, "This is a drill. This is a drill. Dangerous person in the building. Staff follow ALICE protocols. This is a drill. This is a drill".

Lockdown: We will continue to lock doors and secure areas should the classroom teacher decide to stay in the building. This is where students listen and get ready to follow directions.

Inform: Administrators will keep staff and students informed throughout the drill by watching cameras and communicating where the pretend intruder is; this will allow members of our community to make good decisions. Teachers will inform students where to go and what to do based on this information.

Counter: This component of ALICE protocols is practiced at older grades. CWUES and WMS students will **NOT** train or practice to "counter."

Evacuate: Students will listen for teacher directions and move quickly to rally points.

We have posted a brief article explaining how we handle safety in our schools. To read the article, [click here.](#)"



2022

Fall Football

TACKLE: Grades 4/5/6 & 7/8

FLAG: Grades K-3

Where: Bolton Field, Rt 114 Weare

When: Practice Starts mid August for tackle and early September for Flag and goes through October

Practices: Tackle 4/5/6 & 7/8– 3X week, games on Saturdays; Flag –2 X week, games on Sunday AM



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Weare/Henniker & surrounding towns: New Boston, Hillsborough, Franconstown, Deering, Dunbarton, Hopkinton...

Cheerleading Registrations

By Miranda Anderson

Registrations for fall competition cheerleading are now open! Registration will close June 15.



This program is open to children entering grades K-8 in the fall. The season will begin in mid-August and will run until early November. We will be adding sideline cheer to our program. Each team will be cheering a couple Generals

Youth Football games. We will have at least two practices on weekdays with dates to be determined. Depending on the age groups, there may be 3-5 competitions. This cheer program will concentrate on team building and learning a routine to perform in the competitions. Registration is \$150 per cheerleader, which covers bows, music, competition fees and coach certification fees. White cheer shoes are not provided.

Generals Basketball Camp

We are excited to inform you that we will be running our widely successful Generals Basketball Camp again this summer at John Stark. After a brief hiatus due to global circumstances, we are excited to share with your kids the game we love so much! The dates will be June 27-30 for Boys & Girls entering grades 6-9.

Forms are included and discounts will be honored if mailed before June 10th.

If you have financial questions or concerns regarding siblings or in general please do not hesitate to contact me directly at mike.smith@sau24.org.

Again, we are so excited to get this up and running again this summer!

[Click here for a registration form](#)

History of the Weare Library

By Sherry Burdick

In 1891, a State of New Hampshire law made it possible for any town to establish a free library by a town vote and a minimum appropriation of \$25. In March of 1892 at the town meeting, Weare voted to establish a free library. The State gave 100 books to the town.

Previously, Weare had several small libraries in different parts of town. In 1793, the first was incorporated at South Weare. A Friends Library located in the Friends district was established in 1809. The Weare Union Library of Weare Center was incorporated in 1829 by the state legislature, and in 1884 the North Weare library was established. The small libraries closed and some of their books were given to the Weare Free Library.

The Weare Free Library was located at Miss Eva Simmons' home in Weare Center, and Miss Simmons became the first librarian of the Weare Free Library. The Weare Free Library moved to the Stone Memorial Building in 1896 in the south room. The town was increasing in population and a need for a bigger library was required. In 1924, Eben L. Paige left his entire estate, \$30,000, to the town of Weare to be used to build a new library next to the Stone Memorial Building in Weare Center. The new library was built and dedicated as the Paige Memorial Library in 1927. The cost for the one-story brick building with a basement was approximately \$18,000; the balance of the money left by Mr. Paige was set aside to support the library, with the exception of \$5,000 to go to the Weare High School. The new library would take care of the town's needs for the next 64 years.

Eventually, the town outgrew the Paige Memorial Library, and in September of 1990 a special Town Meeting was held "to see if the town is in favor of the newly proposed Paige Memorial Library addition to the back of the Paige Memorial Library." The addition included 3,240 square feet at a cost of \$230,790. The vote was unanimously affirmative.

The Weare Public Library Trustees, Selectmen and Building Advisory Committee worked to bring Phase I of the expansion project to completion. Phase II consisted of a children's room and a meeting space. These funds came from a federal grant of \$28,000 with matching funds from the Sawyer Charitable Trust, John Pierce and Library Trust Funds.

Weare Librarians

Eva Simmons	1892-1935	Blanche Gunn	1935-1955
Dorothy Dum	1955-1958	Eva Purington	1958-1960
Marion Adams	1960-1979	Bess Myhr	1979-1998
Chris Hague	1998-2015	Mike Sullivan	2015-2019
Clay Kriese	2020-		



Weare Historical Society
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Weare, NH 03281

A Tidbit of Weare History

(Provided by The Weare Historical Society)

By Michael Haas, director

Rum and Temperance. At the start of the 1800s, Weare residents consumed a lot of rum -- about 40 gallons per person annually. In 1819, an article introduced at a town meeting would have prohibited all public taverns from selling rum, but the article was defeated. By 1888, the Temperance movement had reduced the annual rum consumption in Weare to less than half a gallon per person. (Learn more about this topic in the 1888 "History of Weare," pages 422-429). Go to <http://www.wearehistoricalsociety.org/> to learn more about our town's history and or to join the society.

Weare Public Library News

Weare Library Now Open on Fridays

New Special Summer Hours

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursdays: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Fridays: 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturdays: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Summer Reading Arrives: Week of June 20

Kids: Register and start filling in your bubbles by reading or attending library events. Each bubble will earn a raffle ticket towards a variety of prizes. Logs can be turned in weekly for a small prize. Larger prizes will be announced during the Finale on July 28. Grand Prize: A new bicycle!

Adults and teens will receive 1 scratch ticket per day when you return your books. Scratch may earn you various prizes and raffle tickets. Grand Prize: A \$100 gift card!

Each week will have events like:

-Monday Movie Matinees (4 p.m.): A family-favorite film, with popcorn, drinks, coloring, and Legos - in the Sawyer Room. (June 27 is Luca, the latest Pixar film where two young boys experience an unforgettable Italian summer with a deeply-held secret: They are sea monsters from another world just below the water's surface. Rated: PG.)

-Tuesday Afternoon Gaming (2:30 p.m.): Challenge your friends with Nintendo Switch games like Super Smash Bros. Ultimate, classics like Street Fighter, or play one of our board games. For children and teens. In the Sawyer Room. (June 28 will feature our first Mario Kart Tournament. Sign up at the library or at wearepubliclibrary.com/kart.)

-Wednesday Stories at the Lake (10:30 a.m.): Join Ms. Karen at Chase Park for stories and songs - for ages birth to 5.

-Hands-On Wednesday Afternoons (2:30 p.m.): Creative Crafts & Activities for Kids. (June 28 is Candy Sushi)

-Thursday Family Nights (6:30 p.m.): A variety of performers and activities for all ages. (June 23 is Kickoff and Lawn games - a medley of outdoor fun games and activities - provided by PARC / June 30 is Singalong-Readaloud with Steve & Marty - an award-winning children's musician and an author/illustrator team up for a fun, fresh show with music, books and lots of laughs - catchy tunes on a

variety of musical instruments and projected illustrations.)

-Friday Night Gaming (5 to 8 p.m.): Meet and play a plethora of video games and board games with players of all ages and skill levels. Magic The Gathering players will receive a special prize. In the Sawyer Room.

And that's just for June! Look for info on July's Special Events and Weekly To-Go Craft Kits in the next issue of *Weare In The World!*

SENIOR NEWS

News From Senior Café

By Mary Thomas and Sue Canella

Menu:

June 8: Cranberry walnut chicken salad sandwiches; spring vegetable soup

June 14: Taco salad

June 22: Pea soup with ham; sweet potato cornbread
Dessert, coffee, tea and hot chocolate included. Fruit may also be added.

Affordable lunch for all (donation of your choice) FREE for any local area seniors age 60+.

Time: 11a.m. to 1 p.m. every Wednesday.

Located at 33 North Stark Highway. Dine in (there is room for 35 guests) or take out. Delivery is free for any senior who has no transportation. **Call ahead** to 603-529-4263 and leave your name, telephone number and how many plates. It is first come, first served. Currently, masks are not required.

Find us on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/Hand.in.Hand03281/>

Ya Never Know Thrift Shoppe

By Melody Beauregard

We are gearing up for the summer ahead with all your thrifting needs! We have a huge supply of swimsuits starting from \$3; flip flops, sandals, sleeveless tops, T-shirts, shorts, capris and more. Everything in our vintage section is 50% off as well as our baby and children's play gear that includes activity centers, bouncy seats and toddler push and rides.

Any crafters interested in participating in our first Annual Arts and Crafts fair on Sept.10 at Breaking Bread Cafe' and Senior Center can pick up an application at 33 North Stark Highway.

Donations of used clothing, household decor, small kitchen appliances, dish sets, bakeware, linens, glassware, games, puzzles, novels and jewelry are gladly accepted. We accept furniture with prior approval. We do not

accept televisions, computers or printers. Donations can be placed in the orange bin out front or hand delivered during business hours: Tuesday - Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Thanks to all that visit our shoppe. We love all the compliments and encouragement. Keep coming in as things are always changing! Ask about our new punch cards for more savings.

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Tips for Caregivers

By Diane Padilla

Find 15-30 minutes a day; go somewhere and do absolutely nothing. Just sit there, alone, no one present, no electronics, no reading. Just sit there and do nothing. Be disconnected.



Wine Tasting at Country 3 Corners



Friday, June 24, 5 - 7 p.m.
833 S. Stark Highway, hardware store
603-529-7539 X 4 or

lfiala@country3corners.com

Check out our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Country3Corners>

Garden Club News



Garden Club Tour

By Anne Wirkkala

It's official! We have a date! July 11 at 11 a.m. for a tour of the UNH experimental gardens, high tunnels and all. Everyone is welcome, including significant others and guests. 😊

High tunnels or hoop houses are frames, either PVC piping or metal, that are covered with plastic, either poly sheeting or a harder more permanent type, and

used to protect plants from the weather and predators. The sides can be rolled for sun and temperature control, as well as some rain activity. UNH uses them to conduct plant experiments. On a smaller scale, some of us use them as protections and to extend the growing seasons. (Photos below are of my little hoop house with the cabbage family inside. Protected from cold and bugs until it gets big enough to defend itself.)

Our tour will be led by one of the UNH professors that is doing research this summer, as well as teaching. I know it will be very interesting and open our minds to alternative ways to grow plants. We may also get a peek at their new multimillion dollar greenhouse and maybe go for lunch at the UNH Dairy Bar.



People are asked to carpool and let me (awirkkala@gsinet.net) know if they wish to attend. The Weare Garden Club is welcoming non-members to this event in the spirit of our mission for community education of gardening knowledge among local people. So please join us for an interesting tour.

Details, such as directions and meeting place, will follow. Please let me know **ASAP** if you can make this trip and would like to carpool!

We will have a tour number, so we do ask that you register with me (awirkkala@gsinet.net). We may have to limit the group depending on the interest level. (With too large a group, the tour is less interesting for the participants if they cannot easily hear or see what is going on.) There will be walking involved... mostly flat surfaces though. Regarding children: this is probably more of an adult tour.

I know this tour will be interesting and we will see gardening ideas we never even thought about!



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Lookin' For Love

By Cathy Bailey

If you'd like to adopt any of the pets pictured here, please complete an adoption application at <https://www.heartsandtails.org/adoption-application>



Meet Madison! Miniature Pinscher/ Labrador Retriever mix. Male; friendly, affectionate, gentle, playful, smart. House trained; vaccinations up to date; neutered; microchipped.

He's 18 months old, weighs 17 pounds and is good with other dogs and children. After starting life fending for himself on the streets of Puerto Rico, he is now a confident dog, who loves to cuddle.

For more information on these and other dogs visit the adoption website at: <https://www.heartsandtails.org/petfinder-list/>

Heat Stroke

By Barbara Jean Crehan (Owner of RSA, Really Special Animals)

As summer rolls in with the nice weather and the temperatures start to rise, make sure your pup stays cool! Heat stroke in dogs is very serious and can be deadly. Some symptoms include high body temperature, heavy panting, dark red gums/tongue, thick saliva and dizziness or disorientation.

If you suspect your dog is suffering from heat stroke, you must take immediate action. Move them out of the heat, away from the sun and place cool, wet rags or washcloths on your dog's body (especially the foot pads and around the head). DO NOT use ice or very cold water! Offer your dog cool, small sips of water but don't force it into their mouth. Make sure to call your vet right away even if your dog seems better!!! There may be internal damage that you can't see. To avoid heat stroke in your dog, NEVER leave your dog alone in the car on a warm day, avoid vigorous exercise on warm days and opt for shady areas when outside. It's also good to keep fresh, cool water available at all times! Keep your pups safe and cool this summer!



Asked and Answered: Appreciation for Art



(Cookie art, December 2019, by Marlayna Keane).

Disappearing Art

By Marlayna Keane

Art lasts centuries. It makes an impression on generations of people. Inspires feelings, creates connection and leaves us with beauty that endures.

What about art that disappears though? Art that is only present for a few hours or days?

The dandelion wreath your daughter puts on your head for instance. It only lasts a few hours, if that, but for those fleeting hours, you are a fairy queen, and she is your princess.

Halloween Jack O'Lanterns. They give a quiet, warm glow and signal the coming of cozy evenings inside and crispy leaves on the ground. They only last a week or so. But for that week they remind us of the laughter and bantering that went into creating them. Every year we look forward to gathering and making this art. Every year some new scary, funny, cute, or pretty pumpkin is made. The best ones often are unexplainable years later and done by the toddler. It is art – every year.

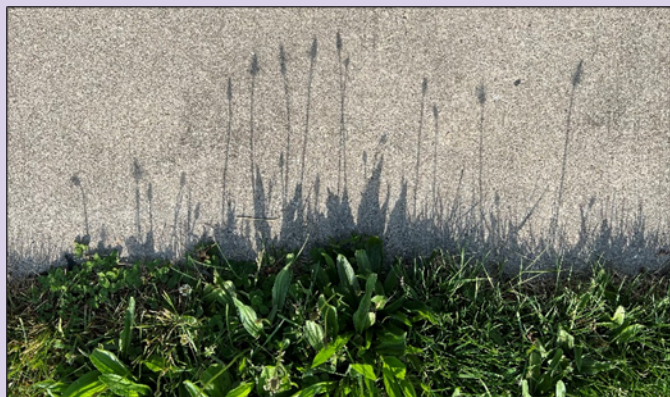
One of my favorite types of art is the edible art of the Christmas cookie. Every year we have a "cookie party" and create a beautiful, yummy mess of art. We have the same cookie cutters, but the decorations change. One cousin is very meticulous – not a single sugar crystal is out of place and there is always a theme to his trays. Others believe the more red hots on every cookie the better. The decorations change and evolve as the kids grow and it's a joy to watch...And eat of course!

These are the best forms of art because as we create, they form the core memories of childhood and growing up, they never leave us.

Uncle Sonny

By Margie Arwine

My brother Sonny died three years ago. He was very much loved by my grandkids. My granddaughter Lydia depicted a few of the events in his life. It brings back memories and makes me smile. I miss Sonny very much. *(Painting by Lydia Gagne).*



(Val Bartholomew photo).

Eidolons of Plantain

By Sharon Czarnecki

Art, of course, can be found anywhere as Val Bartholomew points out with this photo of plants next to a sidewalk.

The plant - *Plantago lanceolata*, often called Ribwort Plantain, is considered a weed by many. However, as a medicinal plant, it has a soothing effect on the skin and is used in sunburn and insect bite remedies. There are many internet links for more information, but for those of you who like it, here is the Wikipedia link: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Plantago_lanceolata

As for the wonderful word "eidolon," well, let's just say – thanks to Val Bartholomew - I have added it to my vocabulary.



Zen Garden

The dead trees stand, their feet in sand,
sentinels of time.

Each tree a soul who's only goal
was to give of love sublime.

Souls of youth, midlife and age
rooted in time's shifting sands
From their base they emit waves of love
that constantly expand.

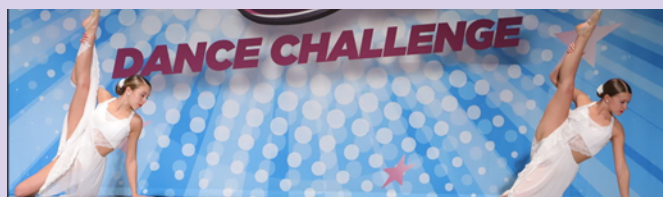
The ripples flow to those they know
touching other's waves in turn
There to feel the love that's real
for which they always yearn.

Through all the strife success in life
is not of material gain.
Things of substance with all its abundance
never will remain.

It is the waves of love we each must give
And how it touches with whom we live.
It is how these radiant waves rebound
And how they mingle with those around.

It is how we touch all those we meet
And they touch us that makes life complete.
A soul with true love will never become
"As dust thou art" when our life is done.

-Al Weatherbee



(Caylin and Olivia Worthen. Courtesy photo).

Dancing Is an Art Form

By Missy Fredericks

The talented sisters pictured above have brought home multiple first-place titles as well as "Top Overall" awards. They are members of our local dance team at You Should Be Dancin'.

<https://www.facebook.com/You-Should-Be-Dancin-1638155876497151/>



Marquetry or Wood Inlay Piece by Benjamin Baker.



Sometimes You Need Help

By Sharon Czarnecki

I do not consider myself an artist. But, if I get some help...Someone draws me an outline, I work on a pre-shaded piece, or I do a paint by number.

To be honest, the lines on this one were so tiny that a toothpick was too big in places! Still, I have to admit, I liked the results well enough to do another one soon. (Beware, it took hours and hours and hours!) Maybe next time, I will look at the age range on the box and get something for 10 and under. LOL.

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Our World

Birds sing,
flowers bloom,
stars shine,
rain falls,
wind blows,
butterflies' flit,
people fall in love,
AR 15s kill,
and
life goes on.

-Marge Burke

Tree Trunk

By the side of the road
stands a tree trunk, at least
it was one once, before
it grew very old, lost
limbs, branches, twigs, and leaves,
bark and top, too, now just
a glorified stump with
more holes than wood these days,
what holds it together.

-Marge Burke



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WE NEED HELP. IT IS SUPER BUSY HERE.

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Volunteers Needed!

Learning Institute of New England College – Heidi Page Curriculum Chair –

My name is Fran Philippe and I am currently the LINEC curriculum chair. However, this summer term will be my last. I will mentor the new chair through the fall term. Might that be you?

LINEC is *totally* curriculum-dependent and volunteer run; therefore without volunteers doing the curriculum work, there is no curriculum and without curriculum, there is no LINEC.

Committee Members

Two key members of the committee have recently resigned, leaving only six. Another member of the committee has served a long time; has done double duty as a presenter of courses; is fatigued and needing more help on the committee. We need new committee members, bringing new energy, a new vision and new ideas.

Being on the committee typically involves only three meetings a year. The rest is on one's own time - seeking out possible presenters, following up on them, facilitating a class or two, or even being a presenter if you'd like.

I do hope that this direct communication will stir some conversation and produce a resolution. *Without one, having a fall term is in jeopardy.* Please be in touch if you're interested or if you have questions. I look forward to working with our new members and our new chair. Change is in the air!! Fran Philippe, Curriculum Chair franphilippe38@gmail.com

Weare Athletic Club

Treasurer: No finance background needed, just a love for numbers. You will work directly with the current Treasurer to transition into the role. Please reach out to Elissa Powers at Treasurer@weareathleticclub.com for more information.

Softball Director: Will work directly with the current Softball Director to transition into the role. If interested please reach out to Chrissie Sargent at softball@weareathleticclub.com

Field Hockey Director: Will work directly with the current Field Hockey Director to transition into the role. If interested, please reach out to Gretchen Guevin at gretchenguevin@gmail.com

Concession Stand Coordinator: Maintains the operation of concession facilities. Organizes the purchase of concession products. Responsible for the management of the concession sales at league events. Schedules volunteers to work the concession booth during league events if needed. Collects and reviews concession related offers including coupons, discounts and bulk-purchasing opportunities. Collects & restock team med kits before and after each sport season.

Equipment Coordinator: Responsible for all player equipment for each sport and to see that it is in good working order. Provides equipment to directors and coaches as needed. Order items needed for the beginning of each season (baseballs, soccer balls, etc) Is responsible for keeping the storage sheds organized when equipment is stored during off season. Prepare team equipment bags at the beginning of a season. Arrange for

return of equipment and distribute at the beginning of each season to all coaches.

Uniform and Apparel Coordinator: Will be in charge of selecting the uniform pieces for all sports with the sport director. Work with uniform vendors to provide quotes and to answer all questions. Organize uniforms by teams and distribute them prior to the start of season. Work with vendors to set up apparel stores. Responsible for collecting back uniforms each season, washing and storing for the following season if a sport reissues uniforms.

For more information on any position, contact Jessie-Lynn Sullivan at Communications@weareathleticclub.com.

Hand in Hand Ministry Board Members

Enthusiasm for helping others required. This position is part time and there are no formal meeting schedules. However, Board Members usually do some volunteer work within the Senior Center or Thrift Shop whenever they are able.

In addition, a major contribution of board members is that they help decide, by votes, what, where, and when resources will be used for the benefit of Hand In Hand Ministries and their mission.

If these tasks sound like a great opportunity for you to do what you LOVE, please get in touch. Contact Bob Boucher, president at boucherrobert@comcast.net or Peggy Bailey, director, at handinhandministriesinc@gmail.com or call 529-4263.

Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday, June 8

- 4:15 p.m. – Trustees of the Trust Fund meeting
- 6:30 p.m. – John Stark School Board meeting
- 7 p.m. – Conservation Commission meeting

Thursday, June 9

- 7 p.m. – Planning Board meeting

Monday, June 13

- 6 p.m. – Board of Firewards meeting

Tuesday, June 14

- 5 p.m. – Cemetery Trustees meeting
- 7 p.m. – Park & Recreation meeting

Friday, June 17

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

- 10:30 a.m. – Weare Area Writers Guild meeting

Monday, June 20

- 6:30 p.m. – Board of Selectmen meeting

Tuesday, June 21

- 6 p.m. – Weare School Board meeting
- 7 p.m. – Cable Committee meeting

John Stark Regional High School Class of 2022

Aaliyah Aladegbemi	Logan Dunn	Alycia Keane
Hayden Bailey	Maddox Duquette	Carina Keirstead
Brooke Blackburn	Emma Edwards	Alyson Kenney
Gracie Bolduc	Nathan Fifield	Cody King-Kimball
Kaitlyn Bossart	Zachary Fifield	Quince Kirtland
Jenna Bowen	Brandon Firman	Sky Knapp
Hunter Bowie	Danielle Flamont	Jeremy Kuhn
Bonnie Bragdon	Ketan Fournier	Edward Lacroix
Noah Brent	Emma Frink	Jayden Lamothe
Thomas Bryant	Jillian Gagnon	Connor Landry
Austin Burkhamer	Ivy Gingras	Brianna Langdon
Naomi Byers	Trever Graeme	Ian Lavertu
Grace Caplan	Nathan Grandmaison	Jordyn Lemay
Enzo Cardin	Terry Greene	Sophia Lemay
Bailey Carignan	Nicole Grenier	Colby Lineberry
Andre Chabot	Lexi Guimond	John Lundeen
Annabelle Charette	Maria Hagar	Brianna Lynn
Ashley Conroy	Linsey Hagman	Jack Malone
Jason Crean	Paige Hamel	Alexander Mann
Jazmyn Curry	Teagan Hardcastle	Trevor Marion
David Darrah	Sophie Hebert	Chad Martin
Veronica Davis	Jayna Henry	Harrison McCallum
Anthony DeTone	Myles Hooper	Genysis McRight
Mason Dion	Nathan Innerfield	Kaylee Montgomery
Brienne Duhamel	Owen Jones	Julia Moskey

Joshua Moul	Savanna Ruoff	
Matthew Mulet	Nolan Scott	
Miles Murray	Benjamin Searles	
Jaden Nelson	Andrea Seaver	
Nathan Nichols	Brandon Soucy	
Nicholas Osborne	Jackson Souther	
Gabriella Paolicelli	Diana Stafford	
Patrick Parker	Sunnie Steinbach	
Devin Patterson	Jocelyn Stoll	
Natalie Patterson	Nathan Streeter	
Brenden Paulson	Devon Stromak	
Emma Pelletier	Brendan Sullivan	
Isabella Pelletier	Cody Sutkus	
Kylie Perrino	Caleb Tillson	
Zoe Phelps	Cody Ugarte	
Selena Phinney	Arden Ulmer	
Logan Pike	Aidan Ventiere	
Annabel Poehlman	Destiny Vickers	
Justin Provencher	Ethan Weidman	
Kyle Provencher	Keegan Werner	
George Reph	Jacob Wheeler	
Adrienne Reynolds	Justin Whittier	
Hailey Ries	Cadence Williams	
Alexis Rinker	Austin Winslow	
Alyx Rodonis	Maddy Wood	
Christopher Roy		
Emaly Roy		

