

Weare in the World

For Weare Residents, By Weare Residents
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Upcoming Forum:

SAU 24 is hosting a "Meet the Candidates" for school board night on Tuesday, March 5 at 6 p.m. in Room 144 at John Stark Regional High School. The candidates are running in Weare, John Stark and Henniker School Districts. There will also be time for budget questions. Luther Drake, the moderator in both the Weare and John Stark school districts, will moderate the evening.

Elections:

Tuesday, March 12 Weare Middle School gym



Results:

Results will be available following elections on the town website at https://www.weare.nh.gov/ and the SAU 24 website at https://www.sau24.org/ Weare in the World may publish local results in an upcoming issue.

Closed:

The Weare Town Clerk's office will be closed on Tuesday, March 12 due to the election.

Local Theatre



Seniors Arik Linstad, as Prince Oliver and Ella Smith, as Delilah McPhee (courtesy photo).

The JSRHS Stage Company presents *Between the Lines* on Friday, March 15 and Saturday, March 16 at 7 p.m., and on Sunday, March 17 at 1 p.m. at JSRHS. Tickets: \$10 general admission and \$7 senior citizens/students. The box office opens one hour before showtime. For more, see page 8.

Weare Community Theatre

Save March 17 from 1 - 2 p.m. to attend the INTEREST MEETING for the next Weare Community Theater play,



Time Will Tell!! You'll want to attend whether you are interested in being cast, working on the crew, helping with fundraising or working on any part of the production. Lots of jobs in

lots of areas to fill! The location of the meeting will be announced in the next issue.



Meet the Candidates

Editor's Note:

In this issue of Weare in the World, we feature the candidates for the Weare Board of Selectmen, the Weare School Board, and the John Stark Regional High School Board. In addition, because it is a contested race this year, we also surveyed the candidates for Supervisor of the Checklist. Since our small volunteer group took up this newsletter in early 2020, Weare in the World has covered local elections in this way. We considered questions that would help voters learn the qualifications, priorities and goals of the candidates who wish to lead in the coming years. The surveys were lightly edited only for word limit, style and mechanics. We think it is an important service, and we hope our readers find it informative.

-Karen Lovett, Editor

Weare Board of Selectmen

Two three-year terms
One one-year term



Name: James Drury

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1. Tell us about your background: your education, line of work, how long you have lived in Weare and your involvement in the community.

I met my wife of 32 years at Georgia Tech where I received a Bachelor of Science in Management degree. I worked for several years as a consultant, helping small companies streamline their processes, document their procedures and improve their bottom line. We moved to Weare 20 years ago with two children and had two more in the years that followed. I currently program corporate telephone systems and provide training for users and administrators. I served on the Weare Finance Committee for six years and my wife served on Parks and Rec for seven. Over the years, we helped set up the ice rink by the middle school, fixed playground equipment, and just generally been a part of the town. Perhaps you've seen us at Old Home Day or other celebrations.

2. What specific skills do you bring to the position? I understand the necessity to document and follow procedures and to provide clarity in the budgeting process. I believe in the true meaning of being a "public servant" – to work for our community.

- **3.** What is the town government doing right? Our town provides residents with as much voice as possible through public hearings and votes on warrant articles. Weare departments are great at making do with minimal funding.
- **4. What could the town government improve, and how?** Better accountability for town leaders to follow rules and regulations and not step beyond the scope of government by ensuring everyone understands what is expected through training and enforcement of standards. All departments should follow zero-based budgeting to accurately reflect their true requirements. Budget season should start earlier to allow for adequate time for analysis and informing residents.
- **5.** What town initiatives do you support for retaining employees? Employee retention involves more than just increased wages. A viable retention policy includes training and education, workload reviews to discover and eliminate pain points and clear expectations with regular performance reviews.
- **6.** What experience do you have working with people who have opposing viewpoints? I deal with coworkers and customers with different viewpoints all the time. Free and open dialog is key to working with anyone. Perhaps I can convince someone that I am right but what is more important is to recognize when I am wrong. It is possible to compromise on specific solutions to a problem without sacrificing convictions.
- 7. What long-term goals would you like to see set for the town of Weare? Weare currently is a bedroom community and will likely stay that way for a long time. We can continue our rural heritage and plan for future growth by providing services and attractions for all residents. The Conservation Commission suggested I support the creation of a trail committee or other body of volunteers to create, map, and maintain trails on our town-owned land for hiking, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing. Weare continues to need additional athletic fields to meet the demands of the athletic clubs. Legitimate, useful land must be set aside for these purposes, with funding for development coming from as many non-tax resources as possible.

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Name: Janice Mathews mathews4weare@yahoo.com www.linkedin.com/in/janice-mathews

1. Tell us about your background: your education, line of work, how long you

have lived in Weare and your involvement in the community. Hello Weare! My name is Janice Mathews and am seeking your vote on March 12 for Board of Selectmen. I am a retired aerospace executive with a reputation for being level-headed, pragmatic and obtaining results. I have a B.S. in Business Management and an M.S. in Supply Chain. Joe and I chose Weare as our retirement home in 2017 because of its small-town feel, rural character and embrace of history. Since moving to town, I have been a volunteer election poll worker, vice-chair of the Weare Finance Committee, member of the American Legion Auxiliary and I became a lifetime member of the Weare Historical Society after seeing the awesome work they did in 2022 commemorating the 250th Pine Tree Riot. Since October 2023, I have served on the Weare Board of Selectmen.

- 2. What specific skills do you bring to the position? I have direct experience as a Selectman; I can and will hit the ground running! I have two full seasons budget experience through the finance committee and then the board directly. My strengths include: 35 years of business experience; personnel performance management; process improvement; cost reduction; budget development and execution; organization; accountability; willingness to ask tough questions; and ethical leadership.
- **3.** What is the town government doing right? Things the town government is already doing well include seeking input from the legislative body (you—the voters). Weare's tax rate is among the lowest in the area. Also positive is the continuation of the rural, historic, small-town character which draws or keeps us here.
- **4. What could the town government improve, and how?** In terms of improvements, I personally think the first priority is continued, and possibly improved, focus on reasonable town budgets that respect taxpayers while upholding our responsibility to be good stewards of our community. Second, there is also opportunity to "get right" the transition of the Fire/Rescue department from the Board of Fire Wards as voted by the town in 2023. Lastly, with no volunteers for the cemetery

trustees, the Selectman position can improve the condition of the town's cemeteries.

- **5.** What town initiatives do you support for retaining employees? The number one thing I can do to assist with employee retention is creating a positive work environment and increasing morale. I will assist the department heads with making employees feel valued. What, if anything, is left to do regarding reasonable compensation will need to be evaluated after the March 2024 town vote.
- **6.** What experience do you have working with people who have opposing viewpoints? I have successfully worked with people of differing viewpoints my whole career. First everyone should be heard. Then, I consider facts and legal obligations when making decisions.
- 7. What long-term goals would you like to see set for the town of Weare? In terms of long-term goals, my personal opinion is to maintain Weare's small-town feel. However, as a BOS member, I will endeavor to work with the Planning Board to have the Weare Master Plan updated. There are ways to do this with little or no cost (such as surveys) and the input gathered through this process will provide invaluable direction on what citizens of the town want to see their community become in the next 5-10 years.



Name: David Pratte davepratteforweare@gmail.com

1. Tell us about your background: your education, line of work, how long you have lived in Weare and you involvement in the community. I am a

New Hampshire resident since birth and lived in Manchester up until seven years ago when my wife and I decided to move to a more rural community and we came to Weare. I attended New Hampshire Technical Institute in Concord, where I earned an Associate's Degree in Mechanical Engineering Technology. I started my career as a draftsman working my way up to group leader, project engineer and project engineering manager. Over the last few years, my wife and I have attended or watched many selectmen, planning and zoning meetings, helping me to understand many dynamics of the town, and I recently started volunteering my time to help at the Hand in Hand Senior Center.

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- **2.** What specific skills do you bring to the position As a project engineer in contract manufacturing, my skill set includes reviewing and interpreting technical data packages and then translating that into manufacturing documentation with an emphasis on contractual adherence to specification details. I have had training and attended workshops in Lean Manufacturing Principles, which have helped me to better understand how to build efficiencies into existing processes and systems, be it manufacturing or up front administrative planning.
- **3.** What is the town government doing right? Over the last couple of years, I have seen the town trying to build and better document processes such as improving the creation and finalizing of meeting minutes, reviewing of non-public meeting minutes, setting job descriptions, and attempting to maintain regular job reviews for its employees.
- **4.** What could the town government improve and how? From my personal experience with the town, it is my opinion that the town needs to be more accessible and responsive to its residents in addressing concerns or complaints. The town should have a tracking and response system set up that can aid as a tracking system to help understand and give weight to actions that the town should take for long-term solutions.
- **5.** What town initiatives do you support for retaining employees? It is my opinion that employees leave their jobs for multiple reasons, money, personal circumstances, engagement with and from their employer, personal satisfaction with the job, etc., so it is difficult to surmise a position without understanding the root of the problem.
- **6.** What experience do you have working with people who have opposing viewpoints? In my work, I have managed groups between 10 to 60 people, been involved in Kaizen (or process improvement events), sat on material review boards to reconcile and correct manufacturing issues, and sat in on implementation groups to review new software and/or processes. All of these activities involve dealing with, as well as working through, opposing viewpoints to come to compromised results and implementation plan.
- 7. What long term goals would you like to see set for the town of Weare? I would like to see a more complimentary interaction between the boards and committees. One thing that this past year has shown is

that setting priorities to complete and transfer actions, or fulfillment of affirmed warrants, from outgoing boards to incoming boards is critical to ensure the will of the voters and provide clarity to the townspeople.

Weare School Board

Two three-year terms



Name: Sarah Button
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1. Tell us about your background: your education, line of work, how long you have lived in Weare, whether you have

children in the school system, and your involvement in Weare schools and the community. I have lived in Weare for the last seven years with my husband and our two kids, both of whom attend Center Woods Elementary. In those years, I have participated in the School Board, coached soccer and basketball, and attended many community events. I earned a BA in Mathematics, a MEd in Mathematics Education, and have been a public school math teacher for the last 15 years.

- 2. What specific skills do you bring to the position? I bring past experience and consistency to the position. Continuing to serve will provide stability for our administrators, teachers, and students. As a School Board, we have worked together to support clear and coherent goals. I will continue to bring my perspective as an experienced teacher, a mom, and as an incumbent School Board member.
- **3.** What are Weare schools doing right? Weare is lucky to have many teachers that are invested in our students. On several occasions, I have seen teachers cheering on students at sports, participating in after school events, and creating engaging, relevant, and rigorous curriculum. Additionally, we have high quality administrators that are knowledgeable, invested, and supportive. Our district provides students with many opportunities to be involved in the community which is invaluable for our kids.
- **4.** What could Weare schools improve, and how? We need to continue to focus on retaining staff and improving student outcomes. The proposed teacher contract will help to retain teachers and attract additional high quality teachers to Weare. The district has implemented high quality instructional materials

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including a new 6-8 math program, the K-8 literacy curriculum Wit and Wisdom, and Character Strong. Continuing to develop teacher efficacy with these materials and providing support through our coaching and mentoring program will ensure that our students have access to quality education.

- 5. What initiatives do you support for retaining employees? What is your stance on Article 4, the teacher contract? Weare has implemented coaching cycles as part of the teacher evaluation tool, which is an asset to our schools. As a member of the Curriculum Committee, I have seen first hand the amazing resources these coaches provide. Their work has a direct impact on teaching and learning, and provides pedagogical support to teachers. This is a clear benefit for retaining employees and improving student Additionally, the vision and knowledge outcomes. brought forth by our administrative team is an asset to our teachers and students. However, all of this is irrelevant if we do not compensate our teachers in a way that enables them to stay in our district. I sincerely hope our town supports Article 4 and votes yes on the teacher contract. I cannot stress enough how pivotal this is for our town at all levels.
- **6.** What experience do you have working with people who have opposing viewpoints? I am on the School Board to represent the best interests of the students and taxpayers rather than my own viewpoints. Over the last three years, I have demonstrated a willingness to listen to all perspectives and to weigh my decisions heavily. I will continue to do so.
- 7. What long-term goals would you like to see SAU 24 set? The School Board and the Administrative Team have done significant work on setting goals around the three domains of Safety and Belonging, Strengthening Core Instruction, and Effective Structures and Processes. I would like our district to continue working towards these goals.



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1. Tell us about your background: your education, line of work, how long you have lived in Weare, whether you have children in the school system, and your

involvement in Weare schools and the community. I am a former technology education middle school

teacher with a degree in music education and technology and K-12 certification. I have been on the Weare School Board for three years. I'm a family man and local business owner. My high school sweetheart and I have two-year-old twin girls. They are too young to be in the school system, but as a parent and taxpayer, I have a vested interest in making sure we have great schools. I grew up in Deering until going to college in Florida. After studying and teaching there, my wife and I moved back home to Weare in 2017. I firmly believe in serving where you are planted and using your skills to help those around you. I hope to continue my service as a school board member.

- **2.** What specific skills do you bring to the position? I believe being a certified educator and business owner bring balance to the board. Other members are currently teaching in other school districts; I look at things from an outside perspective. My business experience is valuable in negotiations and securing what is in the best interest of the district.
- **3.** What are Weare schools doing right? We have amazing students and great staff. We have looked into ways to be most efficient in our operations. I believe transparency has been top-notch when compared to surrounding districts, something I will continue to advocate for.
- **4. What could Weare schools improve, and how?** Everyone agrees test scores are a major concern. I believe we need to shift the focus solely back to academics rather than other interests that may be well intended. It's important they don't overshadow our main goal of educating our children.
- 5. What initiatives do you support for retaining employees? What is your stance on Article 4, the teacher contract? I support our employees and worked most of the summer through the fall on the negotiation team for the teacher contract, which is on the table this March. Unfortunately, we are not in the competition when it comes to retaining teachers for the long-term. We are and have been a good starting point for many in their career, but history shows that we lose them after a few years in. I'm certainly not for more spending and seeing our tax bills go up every year, but I do support ways to retain our teachers so that we are not constantly spending on training and then losing them to other districts. Article 4 is a big ask and it will be interesting to see which way it goes on election day.

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6. What experience do you have working with people who have opposing viewpoints? I have found that most on the board have opposing viewpoints to mine. I do not view that as a negative thing. We should all be able to work together and find common ground. I believe I have done a good job of working alongside others with different viewpoints to the ultimate benefit of the district and townspeople.

7. What long-term goals would you like to see SAU 24 set? I think we have set and accomplished our goals well, despite differing opinions and paths to get there. While there is much more work to be done, I believe staff retention and student achievement need to be at the top of the list for long-term success in the district.

John Stark School Board One three-year term, at-large seat



Name: Deb Urbaitis deb.urbaitis@sau24.org

1. Tell us about your background: your education, line of work, how long you have

lived in Weare, whether you have children in the school system, and your involvement in Weare schools and the community. I am an attorney in Henniker. I have been practicing law for almost 22 years. I have lived in Henniker for 15 years. I currently hold the John Stark School Board seat that represents both towns. This will be my fourth term on the Stark Board. I also Chair the HCS School Board and the SAU24 School Board.

- 2. What specific qualifications do you bring to the position? I bring several years of board experience to this position. I have been negotiating the teacher and support staff contracts for both John Stark and Henniker for the entirety of my service on both Boards. I also participate in the Policy Committee, Curriculum Committee, SAU Wide Resource and Planning Committee, the newly created HR Committee, the Legislative Committee and the Communications Committee.
- 3. What is the John Stark school district doing right? We are doing so many things right. We have pathways to graduation for all learners. Our students who excel have many options for enrichment. Our students who want to work in the trades have opportunities to learn mechanics, welding, carpentry and more. Our students

who have special needs have opportunities to learn valuable life skills to help them gain as much independence as possible.

- **4.** What could the John Stark school district improve, and how? I think we can always be improving the school and learning experience for our students. I support (and have supported) our efforts at creating multiple pathways to graduation for all learners. I take every opportunity I can to advocate for our children with special needs. I want to continue to bring awareness and change to the way in which our neurodiverse students access education.
- **5.** What initiatives do you support for retaining employees? I support increasing pay and adding more benefits for support staff. We could also look at a more flexible work schedule for support staff.
- **6.** What experience do you have working with people who have opposing viewpoints? Our current board has diverse viewpoints. We listen to each other carefully and advocate for our positions. Then, when a vote is taken, we express our opinions and accept the position taken by the Board as a whole.
- 7. What long-term goals would you like to see SAU 24 set? The SAU goals are currently on the right track. We are working with the SAU-Wide Facilities and Resource Planning Committee to efficiently and effectively use our resources (people and money). There are some immediate projects that have the opportunity to be impactful such as possibly moving the SAU to the John Stark campus and utilizing our Facilities and Technology Directors for all of our schools.

Supervisor of the Checklist

One six-year term



Name: Maria Fossiano maria.zacchini@gmail.com

Tell us about your background: your education, line of work, how long you have

lived in Weare and your involvement in the community. Hello! My name is Maria Fossiano, and I have been a Weare resident since 2020. My husband and I welcomed our son, James, to our family in February 2023. Currently, I am a Senior Project Manager for MassGeneral-Brigham, where I oversee finance and implementation projects.

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Previously, I received my Juris Doctorate from the University of Massachusetts Law Dartmouth in 2013. For the past few years, I've volunteered as a ballot clerk for various elections; both town and federal. In addition, I served two years (2022-2024) on the Weare Finance Committee.

- 2. What specific qualifications do you bring to the position? In my professional life, I'm responsible for overseeing business implementations and ensuring those projects keep on track, which requires strong organizational skills and finite attention to detail. Additionally, these projects require transparency, clear communication, and integrity; keeping stakeholders informed and owning the outcomes is critical to a successful partnership. I see a lot of parallels between my professional work and this position transparency, accuracy and accounting of voter rolls, and detailed attention to our town's voter rolls is key to continued successful election cycles.
- **3.** What is your reason for running for this position? I'm running because an accurate and up-to-date checklist gives voters confidence in the integrity of their elections; and I believe if voters feel their elections are secure it will drive more engagement and encourage our voters to come out and make their voices heard through voting.



Name: Kristen Lundeen

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1. Tell us about your background: your education, line of work, how long you have lived in Weare and your

involvement in the community. In 2016, our family moved to Weare to raise our children and allow them to experience the four seasons, reconnect with nature and return to the New Hampshire that my husband and I knew as children. Dave and I have been married for 24 years and Weare has been the perfect place to raise our eight children (ages 10 to 21). I have been working at Weare Middle School as a Registered Behavior Technician and Athletic Director since 2017. During the summers, I work as the Chase Park Supervisor. I am currently finishing my degree in Behavioral Health Science. During my eight years in Weare, I have volunteered in numerous school and community events, for five years with the Weare Athletic Club, and I actively attend town meetings.

- 2. What specific qualifications do you bring to the position? I am a detail-oriented rule follower who strongly believes in the values of honesty and integrity. In the role of Supervisor of the Checklist, I will maintain transparency and follow all legal requirements: when registering voters by respectfully communicating details and deadlines; upholding the duties of maintaining accurate voter files and records: working collaboratively with the other Supervisors, voters, and officials.
- **3.** What is your reason for running for this position? I am running for the position of Supervisor of the Checklist because I have witnessed the importance of volunteering and giving back, and running for this position seems like the next logical step. I would like to positively contribute to the Weare that I work in, that I proudly call my home and I am raising my children in. It is my hope that you will consider voting for me on March 12.





JSRHS took second place at the Boys Division II **Indoor Track and Field State Championships** held at Plymouth State University Feb. 11. Junior Rio Calle won the boys' high jump with a clearance of 6'1" and junior Joel Douzanis won the boys' shot put with a throw of 47 feet. Additionally, Logan Montgomery was second in the 300 meter race and fifth in the high jump; Sam Kinsey-Turner, third in the high jump; Eli Lemire, fifth in the 1000 meter race; and the 4x400 meter team of Calle, Lemire, Alex Keirstead and Montgomery crushed their previous time and earned the last six points for third place. When all the dust settled, the Generals finished only two points from a team state championship. Representing the JSRHS girls' indoor track team: Kayla Barriere, Ayris Beliveau, Rylee Barnard, and Anna Chasse, who placed fifth in the 4x800 meter relay.



L to R: Emily Leary, Schuyler Praul, Emma Guillemette, McKenna Carpentier. Back row: Eloisa Osgood, Charlotte Matzke and Taylor MacKay (courtesy photo).

The JSRHS Stage Company presents "Between the Lines," a book by Timothy Allen McDonald and Jodi Picoult; music and lyrics by Elyssa Samsel and Kate Anderson, and based on the novel by Jodi Picoult and Samantha van Leer. Showtimes are listed on page 1.

"Between the Lines" follows Delilah McPhee, a 17-year-old girl struggling with a new school, an absent dad and an overwhelmed mom. Delilah falls in love with a fairytale, seeking comfort in the pages, where she feels understood by the charming Prince Oliver. While Delilah looks for a way to escape her dreary life, she and Oliver magically start chatting, and they become obsessed with finding a way to get on the same page. Literally. Delilah discovers how to find her place in the world as the lines between fantasy and reality blur. The musical has fun with recognizable character clichés: mean girls, dumb jocks, a frisky spinster librarian. The script allows all of the actors, except Delilah, to play a role in the real world and the fairy tale world.

The cast of 20 is led by seniors Ella Smith as Delilah McPhee, Arik Linstad as Prince Oliver, Connor Lavertu as Martin/Troll and Taylor MacKay as the author, Jessamyn Jacobs. The crew is led by junior stage manager Kaitlynn Carson and sophomore Ellah Adler. The production is directed by Jennifer Matzke, and the music is directed by Dan Williams.



JSRHS Senior **Ella Smith** represented her school at the N.H. Jazz All-State on Feb. 8-10. Smith was in the Honors Jazz Choir and was a featured soloist in the festival concert.



Back row: Kaeden Vanasse, Evan Furness, Evan Payeur, Eva Grolljahn, Bella Mann. Front Row: Rylan Grolljahn, Hailey Tilley, Chase Lansford(courtesy photo).

Eight members of the John Stark DECA team earned eligibility to attend the International Career Development Conference in California (ICDC) in April following their outstanding results at the New Hampshire conference in Manchester held February 14-16. Evan Furness placed third overall in the Automotive Services Marketing individual role play event; Rylan Grolljahn, Evan Payeur and Eva Grolljahn, placed second overall in the Sports and Entertainment Marketing Operations Research team event; and Bella Mann placed first overall in the Human Resources Management Series individual role play event. Additionally, Hailey Tilley, Kaeden Vanasse, and Chase Lansford will also join the team in California as representatives of John Stark and New Hampshire, as they will be attending the Thrive Academy and Leadership Development Academy at ICDC.

JSRHS football head coach, **Ray Kershaw**, received the Semper Fi Coaches Award in Boston earlier in

February. The intent behind this award is to recognize a high school football coach who develops leaders both on and off the football field, who cares about giving back to their community and who exemplifies the Marine motto: "Semper Fidelis" —



always faithful. Glazier Clinics reviews all nominations and selects just one coach to receive this honor in the New England region.

JSRHS Spring Sports Information Night:

Thursday, March 7 at 4:30 p.m. in the gym. All students interested in playing a spring sport should attend this important meeting regarding the upcoming season with at least one parent/guardian. Online registration for spring sports is now live at https://johnstarknh.finalforms.com/ For more information, please contact Mr. Brown in the athletic office at JSRHS.



Mia Murphy, a fifth grade student at WMS, challenged Principal Jon Barry to a game of "Zap-A-Zoid." The object of the game is to identify factors of a number. The final score? Murphy: 16,000; Barry 15,000.

Above: Barry, teacher Matt Hammond and Murphy (courtesy photo).





Students in Kelsi Morse and Sydney Dubois' second grade classes **delivered books they authored** to the CWES school library. Each student wrote a "chapter" (one page) to answer the question, 'How do changes in fall weather impact plants and animals? This project was for their end of module task for Wit and Wisdom, the English language arts curriculum.



During Spirit Week, the week before winter break, students in Ms. Couhie's fifth grade class participated in "Anything but a Backpack Day." Check out the stock pot and laundry basket among the gear selected to bring their things to school.

Weare Police Department News Towing Policies

By Chief Christopher Moore

When citizens have a concern or question regarding police operations, we would be more than happy to explain our processes and make suggested changes to our policies and procedures which are legal, ethical and benefit the community. One such community concern we are monitoring involves towing. For transparency, our policy has been posted to the police department's website and available for public review since 2020. I would like to take this opportunity to point out some RSA's and procedures regarding towing.

We have the responsibility to ensure the safe and efficient flow of vehicular traffic on the town's streets and highways to ensure an orderly and safe environment for travel. If you leave your vehicle unattended on a roadway and are impeding the flow of traffic, we will first attempt to contact you, so leave your contact information with the vehicle prior to leaving it. If you cannot be contacted, the vehicle will be removed for safety reasons.

If you are with your vehicle, **you** will determine how the vehicle will be removed. We will contact a wrecker of your choosing. However, they must be able to respond within 45 minutes. If a vehicle can legally be operated on the roadway and there is another licensed driver with you or you can have one respond in a timely manner, you may turn the vehicle over to them. If the vehicle is legally

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parked, it may be left where it is. We equip our vehicles with push bumpers, so if you consent, and there is a location within proximity, we can push the vehicle from the roadway which would alleviate the hazard. You would likely still need to remove it within 24 hours, but the situation will dictate, and the officer will provide instructions.

If you cannot or will not decide, the police department will use a rotational list of wreckers who will provide the towing service. We do not endorse any wrecker service as we operate with neutral competency. The wrecker companies are not affiliated with the police department, and we do not set their rates. RSA 262:35-a requires the rates to be reasonable. You have the right to appeal any fees or charges which you believe are excessive by requesting a review in writing by the commissioner of safety within 15 days.

If you would like to review the policy, it is available on the police department's website under the "Chief" tab. I would also like to note the policy is currently under review and is being updated.

For more information from the police department you can call their business line at 603-529-7755, or go to their web site at www.weare.nh.gov/weare-police-department Don't forget the "Officer Feedback" tab to let the police know your thoughts on community interactions. Here is our Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/wearepolicedepartment



Transportation in Weare? Share Your thoughts!

By Ben Herbert

Think about how different your day-to-day life would be if you were **not** able to drive yourself or find a ride to where you needed or wanted to go. Grocery shopping, going to the drugstore, to your medical appointments, to social engagements and so many of the places we all typically go and visit. How would you get there? Many

people in New Hampshire face this challenge daily, including residents of Weare.

If you or someone you know has difficulty finding transportation in Weare, you have the opportunity to share your experiences using our "Weare Transportation Needs Survey." Whether you, or someone you know, can't find a ride, or had difficulties finding rides in the past, we want your voice to be heard. To access the survey, please:

- Scan the QR code to the left, OR
- Click: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/62CFKKH

The results of this survey will highlight the transportation needs of Weare residents and lead to possible solutions that address those needs. This survey was created through a collaborative effort between the Hand in Hand Senior Center, the Town of Weare, the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission and the Region 8 Mobility Manager. The survey will be open from **Feb. 28 to May 1.**

Ben Herbert, the Region 8 Mobility Manager, will also be at the Hand-in-Hand Senior Center on **March 6 at 12 p.m.**, to talk more about the survey and to collect responses in-person. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Ben Herbert at 603-669-4664 or bherbert@snhpc.org.

Friends of the Weare Public Library

By Dianne Hathaway

Celebrate spring with us! The Friends of the Weare Public Library will be hosting a bake sale on **Wednesday, March 27**, 5-7 p.m. at the library. We will be selling whole pies

and cakes, artisanal breads, quick breads and smaller baked goods by the half dozen. If you are interested in contributing baked items, sign up at the Weare Public Library, or send us an email at friendsofwearepl@gmail.com. We will

accept offers right up to the time of the sale. Please label items with possible allergens like nuts, peanut butter, coconut, etc. Our fundraising goal is \$360, enough to fund a pass to the Montshire Museum of Science in Norwich, VT for two years. Please help us out!

According to its website, The Montshire Museum of Science has "over 150 exciting hands-on science exhibits, both indoors and out, a 100-acre destination located along the Connecticut River, spectacular views, and amazing opportunities for discovery." This fabulous experience is an easy, one-hour drive from Weare, perfect for families. Find out more at www.montshire.org

Ours is a fun group and we help the library at the same time. Come and join us! Membership is only \$10 per year. We currently meet on the fourth Tuesday evening of January, March, May, July, September and November at 6:30 p.m. at the Weare Public Library. Our next business meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 26. If you would like more information, please email us at friendsofwearepl@gmail.com.

Weare Public Library News

UPCOMING EVENTS

For Kids and Teens:

<u>PokeMondays.</u> Mondays, 2-4:30 p.m. Meet, trade, and play with other Pokemon card game enthusiasts and win prizes.

<u>Baby & Toddler Playgroup</u>. Tuesdays and **NOW FRIDAYS** (starting March 8), 10:30-12 p.m.. An informal gathering. Books, puzzles, early literacy toys and music. Get out of the house; meet new friends!

Bird Feeder Craft. Feb. 28 at 11 a.m. Make a colorful birdfeeder out of craft sticks. For ages 5 and up, with a parent.

<u>Afterschool Gaming</u>. Wednesdays, 2-4:30 p.m. Challenge your friends on the Nintendo Switch and other game systems. (Recommended for ages 6+).

<u>Lego Club.</u> Feb. 29, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Stop by and show us what you can make with our big bucket of Legos, and we'll put it on display for all to see! Ages 5 and up.

Springtime Storytimes. Wednesdays, March 13 - April 17, 10:30 a.m. Join us for stories, songs, and movement followed by a craft or activity. Recommended for ages 3-5, but all are welcome.

Read with the Ruff Readers. Wednesdays, March 13 - April 17, 5-6 p.m. Read with friendly dogs! Call us at 603-529-2044 to register.

<u>Kids Graphic Novel Club</u>. March 14 at 4 p.m. We're reading "Little Robot" by Ben Hatke. Call Ms. Karen at 603-529-2044 to reserve your copy.

For Adults:

<u>Pinochle & Cribbage</u>. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2 p.m. Meet and play with other card game enthusiasts.

<u>Craft Group</u>. Thursdays at 1 p.m. Learn a new craft. Space is limited. Call us at 603-529-2044 to register.

Friends of the Library: Spring Bake Sale. March 27, 5 - 7 p.m. Treat yourself to a plethora of decadent pies, cookies, cakes, breads, muffins, and more! Are you a baker? Contribute your goodie by signing up at the

library or email friendsofwearepl@gmail.com. Raised funds will go towards passes for our patrons at the Montshire Museum of Science in Norwich, VT.

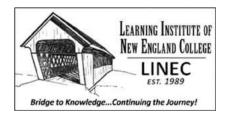
Book Group. March 27 at 7 p.m. We're reading "The Thursday Murder Club" by Richard Osman. Call us at 603-529-2044 to reserve your copy.

Breath Training Basics. March 28 at 6:30 p.m. With Breath Coach Cheryl Lundgren, learn how improving your breathing can enhance sleep and reduce stress. With some simple tips and techniques, incorporate breathing exercises into your routine and cultivate a deeper sense of calmness and well-being in your daily life.

Master Your Finances: Identity Theft.: April 18 at 6:30 p.m. In this free educational workshop you'll learn different types of identity theft and fraud, how to identify the signs of common scams, the laws that protect consumers and strategies to protect yourself. Presented by Modern Woodman.

Now Hiring: Circulation Librarian (Part-Time):

https://www.wearepubliclibrary.com/employment



LINEC Spring Classes

Something New and Continuing Favorites

By Chris Hague

The Learning Institute of New England College (LINEC) daytime mini-courses begin April 4. These informal six-week classes are peer-led, offering social opportunities as well as a chance to learn about topics there wasn't time for during a busy work life. Retirees and others are welcome to register for LINEC's in-person and Zoom offerings.

Some popular classes are back this spring.

The Novel Reading Group continues to meet every first Wednesday at Tucker Free Library in Henniker, reading Booker Prize winning novels.

Eric Simon Ph.D, a NEC biology professor, will talk about "In Darwin's Footsteps," a course that will describe the biology of the Galapagos Islands.

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"How the Mountains Grew," Paul Hague's geology class, will be a guided reading of the book by John Dvorak, who updated John McPhee's "Annals of a Former World."

The **Friday film series** screened at Baker Free Library in Bow will view and discuss Ingmar Bergman's films. Also in Bow, retired NEC professor Glenn Stuart will lead a **discussion of Shakespeare's** "Richard III" and "Troilus and Cressida," with film versions of both performances.

Dick Hesse, a retired law professor with a Master's Degree in history, will offer an **introduction to Gouverneur Morris** - a little known but important founding father. The youngest among the authors of the U.S. Constitution, he played a major role in New York's colonial government and the early history of the United States. This class will meet in the Hopkinton library.

"Philosophy 101" will meet on Zoom, as will "Ethics in Economics" led by NEC Professor Ali Reza Jalili, which, like the biology class, is scheduled for late afternoon. This offers an opportunity for busy seniors who have appointments during daytime hours to participate.

To read more about courses offered and to register for the spring term, see www.linec.org. Classes are \$15 each. Registration closes March 15.

LINEC is among the institutes in the region undergoing changes since Covid. Electronic classes are one innovation. LINEC has added travel opportunities. Led by Prof. Eric Simon, Biology Travel has already sponsored successful trips to Belize and Tanzania, and is about to visit the Galapagos Islands. While these trips include travelers of all ages, special consideration is given to travelers with a range of physical abilities.

A trip to Tanzania departs on July 29. Details are available on the LINEC website or by contacting Eric Simon at SimonBiologyTravel@gmail.com. LINEC offers something for everyone, be it online in a sunny room at home, in a nearby library, or halfway around the world.



2023 Tanzania Travel Group (Eric Simon photo).

VETERANS: Talk to Us

We would like to start publishing brief



stories that you feel are worth sharing about your time in the service. Please contact Sharon at czar5@comcast.net



Death Over Dinner

Bennett Funeral Home, Concord Wednesday, April 17, 6 p.m.

Death can be an uncomfortable topic to discuss with loved ones. Let us give you permission to laugh and find joy as we hold these engaging and important conversations over dinner! Meals generously provided by Bennett Funeral Home. Pre-registration is required.

Walk-In Wednesday

Fourth Wednesday of each month, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Location varies (Concord, Laconia, Wolfeboro)

A Granite VNA social worker / notary public is available to connect with you to discuss your end-of-life wishes and assist in completing advanced care planning documents (durable power of attorney for healthcare and /or living will).

Courageous Conversations: Navigating Life's Final Journey

Wednesday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.

Patricia O'Connor, nurse practitioner, end-of-life expert and author of "Navigating Life's Final Journey" will share her knowledge and experiences supporting families through these difficult, yet important conversations. Pre-registration is required.

For a complete list of our upcoming community programs, please visit www.GraniteVNA.org/calendar.

SENIOR CENTER & THRIFT SHOP

The Hand in Hand Senior Center is a gathering place for seniors to socialize and get involved in group activities.

33 North Stark Highway, Weare, NH 03281 Wed - Fri, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sat: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 603-529-4263 / facebook.com/hihsc.org

We are all waiting for spring to enjoy warmer weather. Don't forget that we are offering Yoga 2 at 11 a.m. on Mondays for those who are interested in a more advanced yoga program. We are also working on starting a walkers' club. Stay tuned to learn more about it. Also in the works is a collaborative survey to learn about the transportation needs of all Weare residents. All are welcome to join us at the Center on Wednesday, March 6 at 12:30 p.m. to participate in a presentation by the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission. Your input is VITAL.

With pleasure, we introduce you to **Lea Anderson-Smith.** You can find her most often in the Thrift Shop, sorting and pricing donations, organizing and displaying inventory, and helping customers find items they need. However, on movie afternoon, Lea is busy popping popcorn, cooking hotdogs and helping to run the show.



Lea and her husband, Greg,

moved to Weare about a year and a half ago. They love their new home and the people they've met. Lea plays the clarinet in the Concord New Horizons Band and the SNHU Wind Symphony. She enjoys crafting, crocheting, hiking, kayaking and relaxing with a good book. When asked why she volunteers at Hand in Hand Senior Center & Thrift Shop, she says, "I love the thrift shop and the Senior Center that it supports. This is a 100% volunteer operation, so all proceeds benefit the community. The atmosphere is warm and welcoming and that is much needed in today's world. I love that the thrift shop helps people on two fronts: we offer customers quality merchandise at reasonable prices and all proceeds fund the Senior Center."

She hopes that the Center continues to grow and that we continue to spread the word about the benefits of the Senior Center and Thrift Shop. She's doing her part to make that happen.

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?



Wednesdays 11-1. Dine in, take out or free delivery.

<u>Feb. 28:</u> Rotini and meatballs; Caesar salad; garlic bread.

<u>March 6:</u> Roasted turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, veggie and roll.

March 13: Chicken tetrazzini, green salad, melon slices. Coffee, tea, and various desserts are also available.

WHAT'S IN THE SHOP?





Coats and Purses 1/2 off

all other winter clothing \$1.00

Starting Friday February 23, 2024

Hints & Tips Messy Bobbins Fix

By Sharon Czarnecki

I have to confess that I heard about a system

for solving this problem online. But it involved PVC tubing, a box cutter, and elbow grease. Not a good combination in my case. I realized what I needed was a "fat" straw. I found these were available from Amazon under the heading of "Smoothie" straws.







The next step is to cut the straw lengthwise.

Then measure your bobbin width. In my case $-\frac{1}{2}$ inch. Mark the straw in intervals a smidge less than that and cut a circle for each bobbin.



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Then, slip the yellow straw piece over the thread and rotate it until there is no more thread hanging out.



As I was explaining this to a friend of mine, she said, "Oh I just bought some of those on Amazon." When she realized that might have been a deflating remark, she gracefully stated, "But, I'm sure I must

have paid an exorbitant price for them."

In any case, I have plenty of leftover smoothie straws, so I will bring some of them to the senior center for those of you who want to "try this at home."

Lookin' for Love

By Cathy Bailey

If you'd like to adopt any of the pets pictured here: https://www.heartsandtails.org/adoption-application



Meet Jadyn! She is a Labrador Retriever and is friendly, affectionate, gentle, confident, playful, smart and quiet. She is house-trained and will even let you know when she wants to go out. Her vaccinations are up to

date, and she has been spayed and microchipped. She is good in a home with other dogs, cats and children. She loves to go for walks, and she walks well on a leash for such a young pup. Jadyn and her siblings were found on a dangerous road in Jayuya, which is in the mountains of Puerto Rico. At only 12 weeks old, they were desperately looking for food as they were starving, timid and scared. They were rescued by one of our wonderful partner organizations, and subsequently sent to board at a farm where they got to play with other dogs and swim in the pool. They really loved the water, enjoyed playing ball, and they love to be around people. Jadyn is five months old and she weighs 17 pounds.



Meet Aiden. He is a Labrador Retriever and is Jaydn's brother. He is friendly, affectionate, gentle, playful, smart and quiet. Aiden is doing very well with his potty training. He doesn't know how to tell you that he needs to go out, but he does know to do his business outside

once he gets there. His vaccinations are up to date, and he has been spayed and microchipped. He is good in a home with other dogs, cats and children. He is just waiting for his forever family to come and whisk him away. Aiden is five months old, and he weighs 19 pounds.

For more information on these and other dogs: https://www.heartsandtails.org/petfinder-list/



Looking for Something to Do?

Compiled by Sharon Czarnecki



Capitol Center for the Arts

603-225-1111

www.ccanh.com

Chubb Theatre 44 S. Main St., Concord

Feb. 29 – 7 p.m. The Four Phantoms (singers) **March 1** – 7:30 p.m. Wanda Sykes (Comedy)

March 3 – 4 p.m. Red Hot Chili Pipers (Bagpipes)

March 12 – 10 a.m. Fahrenheit 451 – Rich Orlow (Play)

Bank of NH Stage 16 S. Main St., Concord

Machr 1 – 7:30 p.m. Suitcase Junket (singer)
March 2 - 8 p.m. Broadway Rave (musical)

March 3 – 3 p.m. Penelope – Corrine Byrne (singer)

March 3 – 6 p.m. NHMC Alex Preston (singer)

March 7 – 7 p.m. Max Roach Centennial Celebration
March 8 – 8 p.m. Romeo & Juliet (Inebriated Shakespeare)
March 9 – Noon The Met – La Forza Del Destino

March 13 – 7:30 p.m. Lauren Rainbow & Cindy Kaza (mediums)



Concord City Auditorium 2 Prince St., Concord 603-228-2793

March 6 – 7:30 p.m. Freeze Brothers Big Band March 13 – 7:30 p.m. "Man on the Hill" (musical)

CURRIER MUSEUM VART 150 Ash St. Manchester

603-669-6144

www.Currier.org

NOTE: Our library has discount passes!

March 6 and 13: "Art from Home"
Free, registration required

Feb. 28 through March 1: "Battle with Cicones"

Artist Romare Bearden

Feb. 28 through October: "Stories of the Sea" Artists Vincent Van Gogh and Andrew Wyeth

Feb. 29 Opening of "Harper's Pictorial History of the Civil War." Artists Kara Walker and Winslow Homer

March 4 – "Yoga and Art"

March 7 through June 23

"I Live a Journey of a Thousand Years" Artist Raphael Barontini

Classes and Workshops starting on March 12. For children and adults. Registration required. See website. Cost range is \$150 to \$375 for non-members.



Fuller Public Library 29 School Street, Hillsborough 603-464-3595

www.fullerlibrary.info

March 5 – 1 p.m. Make a Clay Plant Holder

March 11 - 2 - 4 p.m. Tech Help

March 14 – 6 p.m. "Queen Bees" (Topic: Female Blues

Singers)



Hampshire Hills Athletic Club 50 Emerson Rd., Milford 603-673-7123 www.hampshirehills.com

March 8 – 7 p.m. Totally 90's Party. \$10 admission. March 12 – 6-9 p.m. CPR Certification. Registration

 $required.\ \$100\ for\ non-members.$



129 Centervale Road, Henniker (603) 428-3579 www.hennikerbrewing.com

March 6, 13, 20 and 27. 6-9 p.m. Trivia Night.



15 School St., Hillsborough 603-464-6024

https://www.facebook.com/hillsboro.mooselodge/ **Feb. 29** – 5:30- 6:15 p.m. Zumba classes. \$5. Ongoing.



2 Institute Drive, Concord (603) 271-7827x113 / www.starhop.com

 $\bf March~1~$ - 7 p.m. Speaker Shyang Puri. "How New Hampshire built sensors that took mankind to the Moon."



880 Page Street, Manchester 603-669-7469 www.majestictheatre.net

March 10 – 2 p.m. Rockin' Daddios (50's & 60's music) June and July – Summer camp. Ages 5 - 14. (Scholarships available)



Milford Area Players Amato Center 56 Mont Vernon St., Milford (603) 672-1002

www.amatocenter.org

"The Last Days of Judas Iscariot" (play)

March 1, 2, 8, and 9 at 7:30 p.m.

March 2 and 9 at 4 p.m.

March 3 and 10 at 2:30 p.m.



80 Hanover St., Manchester 603-668-5588

Main Stage – 80 Hanover St. Manchester

March 1 - Mar 24 - 7:30 p.m. The Prom (musical)

March 2 – 11 a.m. Annie (youth theatre)

March 7 – 7:30 p.m. Celtic Angels (dancers)

March 13 and 14 – 7 p.m. Finding Nemo Jr. (youth theatre)

Rex Theatre - 23 Amherst St., Manchester

Feb. 29 – 7 p.m. Saving Grace Dance Ensemble
March 1 – 7:30 p.m. Jimmy Cash & Friends (comedy)
March 2 – 7:30 p.m. Penelope – Corrine Byrne (singer)
March 9 – 7:30 p.m. Panorama – A Tribute to Cars

(musicians)

March 10 – 2 p.m. Tribute to Hank Williams Sr. (singer)



686 Flanders Road, Henniker 603-428-3245 www.patspeak.com

Mar 9 & 10 Hawaiian Weekend



200 Bedford, St. Manchester (603) 669-0400

www.see-sciencecenter.org

NOTE: Our library has discount

passes!!

Now through March 1 – The Science of Sound Stark Brewing Co. 500 Commercial St. Manchester

March 12 - 6 p.m. Science on Tap (21 and older)
Pollinators and the urban environment



Southern NH University 2500 N River Rd., Manchester 800-915-7648

www.snhu.edu

March 8 and 9 Spring Gardening Symposium www.extension.unh.edu/spring-gardening-symposium



23 Science Center Road Holderness, NH 603-968-7194

www.nhnature.org

NOTE: Our library has discount passes!

March 3 and 9 – 10 a.m. Wild Winter Walk

March 7 – 10 a.m. Hands On for Homeschoolers

March 12 – 5:30 p.m. Science Pub – Trail Cam-ology



1 Central Wharf Boston, MA 02110 617-973-5206 www.neaq.org

NOTE: Our library has discount passes!

Now showing at Simons Theater – "Arctic: Our Frozen Planet," "Incredible Predators," "Sea Lions: Live by a whisker," "Great White Shark," and "Blue Whales: Return of the Giants." (*Tickets required. See website.*)



<u>Asked and Answered:</u> Leap Year - Extra Day

Leap Day

By Marge Burke

Leap Day, that once-every-four-years occurrence falls on Feb. 29 this year. Based on an old Irish legend, it is often called Bachelor's Day, when women could ask men to dance with them, or even propose marriage. It is sometimes called "Sadie Hawkins Day," which is usually celebrated every year in November, based on the comic strip "Lil Abner by Al Capp." Whatever name you call it, enjoy the extra day and have fun.



<u>Tell Us About:</u> First Signs of Spring!

Spring is coming. What signs have you seen? Arrival of robins? Green shoots poking through the ground? Are those signs arriving earlier? By the time we reach the Vernal Equinox (March 19), we will already be on daylight savings time. What do you do with longer days?



Snow Drops for Valentine's Day

By David Erickson

Planted perennials remind me of the people who gave them to me for a lifetime. Here are some thoughts brought to mind after seeing snowdrops on Valentine's Day showing white, ready to bloom on the next warm day. My mother would bring a wooden flat of perennials from her gardens when she came to visit, tucking them in here and there where her instinct told her they would flourish, and dozens of her gifts return each year to remind me of her.

My Mum strained gracefully that hope, at least, might survive.

From a father of few contrite confessions, to a husband who loved her thoughtlessly as he was expected to.

She bore a daughter, anxious under the unintended cloud.

And three sons,

none of whom followed the paths she was sure were best for them.

...but in her garden, snowdrops, columbines and violets rambled and frolicked in her care.

A stunted clump under an overshadowing shrub, would froth over where she tucked it in.

Tangled roots could be teased, forgiving if a few were mangled.

Vines gratefully followed the plans she made plain for them.



This photo of our Mum – Suzanne Erikson - in her garden was taken by my youngest brother, Tom, who made his living as a photographer.

A. Carrier

POETRY CORNER

A New Coat

There was no wind so it wasn't a squall, it was more than fleeting flurries, it was a fresh coat of snow, enough to cover bare spots and dirty plowed piles dulled in look from days of clouds, while earth had a glossy sheen, as if painted with enamel not matte, glistening in the rising sun.

-Marge Burke

Road Hazards

Ice, snow, temperature fluctuations cause winter road driving hazards in New Hampshire, mounds of plowed snow at intersections block visibility, then there are pot holes in the pavement, made when fissures fill with winter moisture, split open, you want to avoid them, without looking like a drunk driver, swerving this way and that to avoid driving through them when the car jounces up and down, sometimes deep enough to lose a hubcap or other car damage, beware, watch out for potholes.

-Marge Burke

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

Article 5 on the March 2024 warrant asks that 117 Abijah Bridge Road be rezoned to become rural agricultural. This property meets the lot size requirement to do so.

When Weare adopted zoning, the neighborhood was rural agricultural. Going farther back to when we bought our house, it was well populated with cows.

The owners of the property on the ballot have worked diligently to establish a farm. The request for rezoning is reasonable, consistent with New Hampshire's Right to Farm law (RSA 432:33) which protects certain kinds of agricultural operations from nuisance lawsuits. For instance, if new residents to a neighborhood objected to a rooster crowing at dawn, the farmer's rights would be protected.

Much prime agricultural soil in Weare has been sold to developers. We need to keep what we have left as the demand for local food grows, and open spaces shrink. Let's encourage every farmer we can. And by the way, last spring's strawberries for sale at this farm made delicious jam! Keep the address in mind next summer if you enjoy fresh food.

-Chris Hague

Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday., Feb. 27

6 p.m. - Board of Fire Wards meeting

Friday, March 1

11 a.m. Weare Area Writer's Guild meeting

Monday., March 4

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

Tuesday., March 5

7 p.m. - Garden Club meeting 7:30 p.m. – Zoning Board meeting

Wednesday., March 6

6 p.m. - Ethics Committee meeting 6 p.m. - Mildred Hall Advisory meeting

Thursday., March 7

7 p.m. – Public Library Trustees meeting 7 p.m. – Planning Board meeting

Monday., March 11

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

Tuesday., March 12

7 a.m. – 7 p.m. – Town Voting at Weare Middle School

7 p.m. – Parks and Recreation meeting

Wednesday., March 13

3:45 p.m. - Trustees of the Trust Funds meeting

6 p.m. - John Stark School Board meeting

7 p.m. – Conservation Commission meeting

7 p.m. – Weare Democrats meeting