



Weare in the World

For Weare Residents, By Weare Residents

August 13, 2025

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The Weare Historical Society*

*Weare, NH
Old Home Day
2025*

**Food* Museum Tours
Bounce House
Climbing Wall
Antique Cars
Woodworking Demos
Vendor Fair**

**AUGUST 23
SATURDAY 10 AM-3 PM**

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BOS Approves New Ambulance Fees Following Public Hearing

By Tom Clow

On Aug. 1, the *Concord Monitor* reported that the previous day, Governor Kelly Ayotte had signed Senate Bill 245. The new law, which is intended to prohibit surprise ambulance billing, will take effect in 2026. Weare Fire Rescue was a couple steps ahead of the governor. On July 14, Chief Mark Roarick and Assistant Chief Trevor Anderson presented selectmen with a proposal to revise ambulance billing fees, in part to coincide with SB 245, which they explained boosts insurance companies' standard reimbursement rate to 325% of the federal Medicare rate. They also said that the Weare fees had not been revised since 2018. A public hearing on the changes was scheduled for July 28.

At the public hearing, Assistant Chief Anderson explained the three levels of ambulance service and how they related to billing. Levels of service are as follows:

BLS (Basic Life Support): Basic medical monitoring without advanced interventions.

ALS 1 (Advanced Life Support 1): At least one advanced intervention like IV therapy or medication.

ALS 2 (Advanced Life Support 2): More intensive care with multiple medications or advanced procedures.

The current rates and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current rates set in 2018	Proposed rates matching 325% of Medicare
BLS	\$800	\$1,490.68
ALS 1	\$1,200	\$1,770.18
ALS 2	\$1,800	\$2,562.14
Mileage	\$15/mile	\$29.25/mile

Following public input including a question-and-answer period, the Board of Selectmen unanimously approved the proposed rates (5-0). Selectman Dearborn noted that from an inflationary standpoint, the increases are somewhat in line with cost of living increases over the seven years since rates were last adjusted.



News from the Weare Police Department

SAFE SPACE: As a reminder, the Town of Weare is covered by the New Hampshire State Police every day between the hours of 3 a.m. and 7 a.m.

However, we want you to know the Safety Complex lobby remains fully accessible to you and yours 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. This room is well lit and under constant surveillance.

Should the need arise, simply walk in and you will find a telephone affixed to the wall. Pick it up and you will be connected to our dispatch center (the Goffstown Police Department).

SECURITY: We want to take a moment to sincerely thank all of those who have taken it upon themselves to go the extra mile! Whether you have voluntarily checked your security camera footage, referenced social media pages, shared with friends and family, or taken other steps to keep our community a bit safer.... We recognize the effort and very much appreciate you!



For more from the police department, you can call their business line at 603-696-4000, or go to their [website](#). Don't forget the "Officer Feedback" tab to let the police know your thoughts on community interactions.

Also, find more information on their [Facebook page](#). Please call Dispatch at (603) 497-4858 to request police assistance or report an incident. Our dispatch services are provided by the Goffstown Police Department. **As always, use 911 for an emergency.**

American Legion Auxiliary Post 65 Who Are the American Legion Auxiliary?

By Ellie Chapman -Member Post 65 Weare, NH

The American Legion Auxiliary is a volunteer community-based organization that supports local veterans, their families, local communities and veteran organizations. Some of the ways we do this are participating in local community events, helping with the needs of local families and schools, and providing a sense of community to those that may have connections to friends or family members who have served.

We also have junior memberships for those 17 and under, who can join as well and participate in our community-based activities.



L to R: Rebecca Drabble and quilter Rose Gilman (courtesy photo).

If you would like to find out more about our organization, you can stop by during our Sunday breakfasts, and on Thursday and Friday evenings from 4-7 p.m. Info is also available @ALAforVeterans on Instagram and Facebook and at www.ALAforVeterans.org. We hope to have a few volunteers available at the Old Home Day Celebration to provide more info about memberships.

Just a reminder...our next bake sale and an opportunity to participate in our raffle is happening **Aug. 31** at Sunday Breakfast from 8-11 a.m.

First prize: handmade quilt by Rose Gilman (member)

Second prize: \$50 worth of lottery tickets

Third prize: \$25 gift card

Hope to see you there!

Area Band Concerts

	Henniker 57 Main St. Tuesdays 6-8 p.m. Aug 19: Dwayne Haggins Band-Acoustic Folk Music
	New Boston 5 Meetinghouse Hill Rd. Tuesdays, 6-7:30 p.m. Aug 19: Endless Skies Band-Family Friendly Familiar Tunes (Last Band of the Summer Series)
	Deering 763 Deering Center Rd. Saturdays, 6 p.m. Aug. 23: The Jazz Sanctuary House Band-Jazz



South Weare Church

82 Deering Center Road, Weare

By Terry Knowles & Sherry Burdick, Trustees

The South Weare Church, one of Weare's oldest churches, is undergoing renovation in honor of its 150th anniversary. A new roof was completed in July, and the next project is the restoration of the gothic windows. The church was built in 1875 on the location of an earlier church built in 1789. It was originally known as the South Weare Union Church because the congregation was composed of two protestant sects – three-quarters were Congregationalists and one-quarter were Universalists.

By agreement, the Universalists were entitled to use the building every third Sunday of the month and on the fourth Sunday in August. The Congregationalists had use of the building the rest of the year. Today's building retains its original pews, wood stoves and pipe organ. The site includes a set of horse sheds used in the days when parishioners arrived at church in a horse and buggy, and a parcel of land donated by the late H. Arlene Thorp.

Dr. Daniel K. Poling, Pastor of New York's Marble Collegiate Church, preached at the South Weare Church every Sunday during the summer from 1953-2007. The church's Centennial celebration was held on Aug. 3, 1975, and the sermon was delivered by the late Dr. Norman Vincent Peale who is best known for his book *The Power of Positive Thinking*.

Members of the congregation and many guests attended the celebration dressed in historic clothing. The church, which seats two hundred, was completely filled for the event. Today the South Weare Church is a popular site for weddings and baptisms, and the Trustees look forward to bringing new life to this wonderful building. Stay tuned!



"Looking over the program of the day for the Centennial Celebration are these dignitaries for the day's festivities. L to R: Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Flanders, chairman of the Centennial Committee; Mrs. Ruth Peale; Dr. Norman Vincent Peale (both of New York); and Dr. Daniel K. Poling, minister of the church (photo by Bill Herman.)"

WEARE HIGH SCHOOL REUNION



If you attended Weare High School
through June 1987

YOU ARE INVITED
to an all-class reunion!

August 16, 2026 11am-4pm (Rain or Shine)

**Place: John Knox's Building,
132 Cross Road Weare, NH**

BYOB

Food truck available on site to purchase food.

No cover charge; donations appreciated.

Come and enjoy meeting up with old classmates. Great
music, prizes, amazing classic car display
Reflector Row Yearbooks
that span all the years (1877-1938) of WHS.

Any questions contact

Tony Sera 941/ 228-6939 or

John Knox 603/660-1742 or

www.wearehighschoolreunion.com

Weare Public Library

THE FRIENDS OF THE WEARE PUBLIC LIBRARY
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SPOTS LIMITED

HOW TO TRAIN YOUR
DRAGON

FOOD & DRINK
AVAILABLE
FOR
PURCHASE

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025

CHUNKY'S CINEMA
707 HUSE ROAD
MANCHESTER, NH 03103

**DOORS OPEN: 5:30PM
MOVIE STARTS: 6:15 PM**

TICKETS \$5 EACH
50/50 RAFFLE, SILENT AUCTION, PRIZES, AND
MORE!

*THIS IS A FUNDRAISING EVENT
ALL TICKET PURCHASES
AND RAFFLE MONEY GO DIRECTLY
TO THE WEARE PUBLIC LIBRARY

SCAN THE QR CODE TO RESERVE
YOUR TICKETS BY AUGUST 8, 2025

Questions? Please email sjebutton@gmail.com

MONDAYS

- 2 pm: Pokemondays (kids) Meet, trade, and play with other Pokemon card enthusiasts - along with crafts, games, and prizes.

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

- 2 pm: Cards! (adults) Meet and play pinochle or cribbage with other card game enthusiasts.

THURSDAYS

- 1 pm: Craft Group (adults) Relax and craft and learn something new.

FRIDAYS

- 10:30 am: Baby Playgroup (ages 0-3) An informal gathering for young children and their caregivers. Get out of the house; meet new friends! Books, puzzles, early literacy toys, & music.
- 1:30 pm: Lego Club (kids) Stop by and see what you can build with our huge supply of Legos!

The WPL offers discounted passes:

Free & Discounted
MUSEUM & PARK PASSES
Call us to reserve yours: 603-529-2044

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
NEW HAMPSHIRE

CURRIER MUSEUM of ART

THE ERIC CARLE MUSEUM OF PICTURE BOOK ART

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MW OBS
MOUNT WASHINGTON OBSERVATORY

Museum of Science

SEACOAST SCIENCE CENTER

see science center

SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER
WWW.SQUAMLAKES.ORG

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE PARKS

STRAWBERRY BANKE
PORTSMOUTH NEW HAMPSHIRE

VINS
VERMONT INSTITUTE OF NATURAL SCIENCE

ZOO
NEW ENGLAND
Franklin Park Zoo • Stone Zoo

Thanks to the
Friends of the Library
for making these possible!



Weare Pink Ladies

By Lily Tang Williams

Weare Pink will meet on Tuesday, Aug. 19 at 5:30 p.m. at The Angela Robinson Band Stand (Community Park) on Main Street in Henniker.

Dwayne Haggins Band (country and blues) is playing for the first time in Henniker. *If there is inclement weather, concerts will move indoors to the adjacent Community Center.* Bring a chair, spread a blanket, visit a local restaurant, have a picnic supper on the lawn or sample some of the fare provided by this week's food truck.

Carpooling is available for easier parking. Plan to wear comfortable shoes and dance on the green or just enjoy the band.

Please let me know if you are coming and would like a ride. You can join us on Facebook (1) Weare Pink | Facebook or use email lily4liberty@comcast.net

**HAND IN
HAND**

**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. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 4 pm

603-529-4263 / www.facebook.com/hihsc.org

Over the last few weeks, *Hand in Hand Senior Center* has continued to see what a compassionate community we have. We made a call for help in our Thrift Shop, and someone answered. We shared that we had some needs in our small food pantry, and boxes of items arrived. Others, businesses and families, graced us with some monetary support. We may not know who you are, but please know that we really appreciate your support of our mission of having a place in Weare, where all are welcome to enjoy the activities and comradery that our happy place offers.

We're looking for new, fresh ideas for programs that will interest those over 50. Perhaps some activities we can offer in the late afternoon or early evening. If you have an idea and can help us make it a reality please contact: hkurk@hihsc.org

Join us at the Weare Historical Society's Old Home Day, **Aug. 23** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Learn more about the ride/share program, and what we have to offer at our Thrift Shop and the Senior Center. The Weare Garden Club that meets at the Center on the first Tuesday of the month will have some plants on display.

Yoga this month has a new twist with live instructor Kristina Parton teaching several classes. We'll go back to our DVD class when she returns to New Mexico.



Movie afternoon with popcorn and hotdogs will feature "Pay It Forward". All are welcome to join us at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, **Aug. 19**.

Sing along with Mike on Wednesday, **Aug. 20**. He'll lead the group with his guitar and voice.

Looking ahead. We'll offer another 24-week Tai Chi class starting **Sept. 9** at 8:45 a.m. Sandy Turcotte, an experienced instructor, will lead the class. Stop in at the Center or email hkurk@hihsc.org to sign up.

For those of you who like to walk/hike, contact Donna McCarron at dmccarronsp60@yahoo.com to sign up for a group experience on Saturday, **Sept. 27**, a two-hour

hike on the rail trail in New Boston; or on Sept. 30 for a two-hour hike in Davisville. (See details in the last issue of WITW).

The pleasure of your company is always welcomed at Hand in Hand Senior Center and Thrift Shop.



Join us for lunch every Wednesday from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Dine in, take out, or free delivery.

Aug. 13: Meat lasagna

Aug. 20: Grilled sausage mushrooms and onions

Aug. 27: Breakfast for lunch

Coffee, tea, and various desserts are also available. Donations are graciously accepted. All are welcome to stay and socialize, play games, and work on crafts.

Services for Seniors

By Diane Padilla

With today's financial uncertainties & looming budget cuts to goods & services, many people, particularly seniors, are uneasy about these impacts on their lives. Below is a list of local & statewide services available to seniors.

LOCAL INFORMATION

Welfare Department of Weare 603-529-2572

www.weare.nh.gov/welfare-department

Mary-Ann Green, Welfare Officer, 603-529-1515

Welfare applications can be picked up Mon. through Fri., 7 am to 5 pm. The Welfare Office is on the first floor at the Town Offices Please phone for an appointment time to drop off completed applications.

Hand in Hand Senior Center/Thrift Shop 603-529-4263 www.hihsc.org Hosts thrift shop, weekly lunches, programs & social services for Weare & Weare area seniors.

Happy Weareites, a social group of seniors who get together monthly to eat & play bingo at the Library.

Weare Public Library 603-529-2044

www.wearepubliclibrary.com Programs for seniors, including card games, book club & special presentations. Discount passes for museums & parks available to library card holders.

Community Volunteer Transportation 603-821-0569

www.cvtc-nh.org Free Rides for Weare Residents.

Chase Park at Lake Horace 603-529-1866 or 529-7527

www.weare.nh.gov Seniors age 60+, & veterans, get one free car pass each season; \$5.00 each additional car. Owner must be present to receive stickers.

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White Birch Center for Early Learning, Henniker

603-428-7860 www.whitebirchcc.org Offers programs & services to the Weare & Henniker area. Check online listings for activities and times.

STATEWIDE/NON-PROFIT INFORMATION

Department of Military Affairs & Veterans Services

603-225-1200. TDD Access: 1-800-735-2964 www.dmav.snh.gov (Not to be confused with the Veterans Administration) The Division of Veterans Services aids veterans who are NH residents (or their dependents) in securing all benefits or preferences to which they may be entitled under any state or federal laws or regulations. The site lists forms, documents, benefits, directories & other information for veterans & their families.

Manchester VA Medical Center Main # 603-624-4366 **VA Health Connect:** 833-933-1106

Mental Health: 603-624-4366 www.va.gov Helps veterans, families, & caregivers locate nearby facilities & manage health online. Sign up for community events & updates.

VA Manchester Regional Office 800-827-1000 www.va.gov Customer Service Center for veterans information in the Norris Cotton Federal Building in Manchester, NH.

Meals on Wheels for Hillsborough County

603-424-9967 www.hcmow.org The menu is developed through the combined efforts of their licensed dietitians. Meals meet 1/3 of the daily nutrition requirements for older adults.

NH Commission on Aging 603-271-0527 TDD Access: Relay NH 800-735-2964 www.nhcoa.nh.gov Advises state government on policies & planning related to aging.

NH Dept of Health & Human Services 603-271-0527 TDD Access: Relay NH 800-735-2964 www.dhhs.nh.gov/programs-services/adult-aging-care Aging-&-disability-resource -centers. Responsible for the health, safety, & well-being of the state's citizens. Sections on assistance, including adult & aging care, Medicaid.

Granite Visiting Nurses Association 603-224-4093 www.granitevna.org Home care, hospice, advanced illness management.

Concord Hospital 603-225-2711 www.concordhospital.org/site-search/?term=Senior+services&idx=3

Lists locations, medical providers, events for seniors. **AmeriCorps Seniors NH** 800-942-2677 www.americorps.gov/national-service-report/nh Senior companion program provides grants to organizations to engage low-income Americans aged 55+ in providing supportive, individualized services to help homebound seniors & other adults maintain their dignity & independence.

Easter Seals NH 603-226-3791 www.eastersealsnh.org In-home care & health services, has information for seniors & veterans.

Above information is current as of July 31, 2025. Weare, Henniker, & statewide information has been taken from official/organization websites.

Church News**Weare Bible Baptist Church**

82 N. Stark Hwy. Weare, NH

September 5, 7-10 pm. Young Adult Game night. Join the fun and meet new friends.

FREE conversational Spanish classes for adults

Taught by professor and interpreter Fernando Alvarado

September 16 at 7 pm and every Tuesday thru October 14. Bring a friend and join us! Espero verte alli!

For more information contact us: (603) 212-1600 or email at office@wearebiblebaptist.com

Website: www.wearebiblebaptist.com

Weare/Henniker Quaker Meeting

529 Quaker Street, Henniker, NH

!! YARD SALE !!

Saturday, August 30, 9 am-3 pm

RAIN OR SHINE

The Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross

Worship is Sundays at 10:00 am. Eucharist will be celebrated on Sunday, **August 17** with the Rev. Dr. David Ferner presiding and preaching.

The Rev. Lucretia Jevne will preside and preach on **August 31**. Morning Prayer will be held on **August 10** with Marjorie Burke presiding and preaching, and on **August 24** with Laura Starr-Houghton presiding and preaching.

During the month of August our split plate loose offering will be shared with the New Hampshire chapter of the NAACP, (National Association for Advancement of Colored People). This volunteer organization focuses on achieving social inclusion, expanding civil rights and eliminating discrimination of all people of color.

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POETRY CORNER

A Small Speck

I am a small speck
in God's creation,
sunrises, sunsets,
planets in their orbit,
creatures of all kind,
together we make
a whole, dependent
on one another,
butterflies, mountains,
rivers, geese flying south,
wind whistling through trees,
my skin tingles, I
belong, I am part
of this marvelous
world we live in.

-Marge Burke

Patch Orchard in July

No cider donuts today,
no ripe apple aroma,
after all it is July,
ah, but there was an aroma,
what a delight, sweet, fresh mown field,
I bend down, finger rake green, straw
colored remnants into a clump
form it into a nest,
in the palm of my hand.
hold it reverently,
raise it to my face, inhale deeply,
suddenly I am a child again,
sitting in just such a field,
feeling safe, loved, my arm wrapped
around my dog, Duchess,
happy memory, simple pleasure.
gift from God.

-Marge Burke

Weare Business News

HELP WANTED
FT/PT FRONT OF HOUSE STAFF
THE BRIDGE BAR & GRILL IS LOOKING FOR EXPERIENCED
BARTENDERS, SERVERS, ON COURSE SERVERS.
CONTACT AND SEND RESUMES TO JASON JOZOKOS AT
JASON@STONEBRIDGECCNH.COM

Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday, Aug. 13

7 p.m. – Conservation Commission meeting
7 p.m. – Weare Democrats meeting

Thursday, Aug. 14

7 p.m. – Planning Board meeting

Friday, Aug. 15

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

Tuesday, Aug. 19

7 p.m. – Parks & Recreation Commission meeting

Wednesday, Aug. 20

7 p.m. – Energy Commission meeting

Thursday, Aug. 21

3:45 p.m. – Trustees of the Trust Funds meeting
6 p.m. – Ethics Committee meeting

Friday, Aug. 22

11 a.m. – Weare Area Writers Guild meeting

Saturday, Aug. 23

9 a.m. – Weare Republicans meeting

Monday, Aug. 25

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