



# Weare in the World

*Weare Residents, By Weare Residents*

**September 11, 2024**



## Back to School News



*Kristy Townes shares the heartwarming story, "The Kissing Hand" with kindergarten students on Aug. 27, the first day of school. This tender tale beautifully captures the love, separation and unbreakable bond between a parent and child, making it the perfect story to start the*

*school year.*

*On the first day of school, excitement filled the air as students eagerly returned to the classrooms. Officer Austin Maguire played a special role in making the day even more memorable by greeting each child with a warm smile as they arrived. Teachers, who had been eagerly preparing for this moment, couldn't wait to welcome their students back.*



*Superintendent Jackie Coe honors WMS teacher Nicole Gawthorp for 25 years of service and JSRHS Assistant Principal Brian Emery for 35*

*years of service.*

**For more school news, see page 2.**

## Cornerstone Chosen to Restore Headstones in Center Square

By Tom Clow

At its Aug. 26 meeting, the Weare Board of Selectmen chose Cornerstone Cemetery Services of Concord to do the restoration work on headstones at Center Square Cemetery on East Road, pending reference checks. Cornerstone had submitted a bid of \$30,000 to do the work. The board also assigned former selectperson Sherry Burdick to oversee the



project. Funding for the work will come from a grant from the Charles and Ethel Eastman Fund. Acceptance of \$35,092 from this fund was approved at an earlier board meeting.

Burdick had spearheaded the project from the beginning by arranging for a company to visit the cemetery and give an estimate of the work to be done and its cost. She then approached the Mildred Hall Committee, which oversees the Eastman Fund, to request funding. Because of the estimated cost of the project, the town's purchasing policy required a bidding process. A Request for Proposals (RFP) was posted on the town website.

Accompanying photos show some of the 163 headstones that need repair and/or resetting in Center Square Cemetery (Tom Clow photos).



**"Talk" To Us**  
**About Being a Tourist**  
**Deadline: Sept. 20**  
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gmail.com



## School News, continued



### New Educators in SAU 24

#### Center Woods Elementary School



##### **Lauren Belanger**

Special education teacher

Miss Lauren appreciates working in the same town where her children go to school and felt called to this new position after spending several years working in preschool. Before joining SAU 24, Lauren was a stay-at-home mom and military spouse, eventually working as a substitute, paraeducator, and now a case manager/teacher. She believes that a good day at school is one where students are eager to learn and everyone works together, creating a positive and collaborative learning environment.



##### **Hannah Chadeayne**

First grade teacher

Miss Chadeayne was attracted to SAU 24 because of the supportive and welcoming environment, which she felt was the perfect place to start her teaching career. Hannah recently graduated from Keene State College with a degree in Early Childhood Education. She believes that a good day at school is when all students feel comfortable making mistakes and growing from them, fostering a sense of belonging and joy in the classroom.



##### **Kristine Demeule**

Third grade teacher

Mrs. Demeule is excited to join Center Woods. With a background of 17 years in a childcare center, Kristine is well-prepared to create a nurturing and engaging learning environment for her students. She has always been passionate about teaching and was drawn to SAU 24 by the opportunity to continue her career in a supportive and dynamic community. Kristine is eager to contribute to the school's culture and make a positive difference in the lives of her students. Her enthusiasm for learning and her dedication to education are sure to inspire her students and colleagues alike.



##### **Corey Sisson**

Art teacher

Mrs. Sisson loves art and working with children, which led her to pursue this position. Previously, Corey worked as a children's librarian and has a passion for creative expression. During the summer, she enjoys spending time with her children, climbing mountains, swimming, and exploring nature. Corey is excited to share her love for art and creativity with her students.

#### Weare Middle School



##### **Jan Borsh**

Reading Specialist

Mrs. Borsh brings almost 30 years of experience in special education and reading to WMS. Mrs. Borsh has a passion for teaching reading, particularly for those who find the reading process a bit challenging. She also loves working with middle school students. Mrs. Borsh loves every season of life in New Hampshire, enjoying everything from downhill skiing to gardening and biking.



##### **Laura Botelho**

English/social studies teacher

Ms. Botelho was attracted to SAU 24 because of the enthusiasm of the staff and the genuine nature of the administration, which she felt during her interview. Before coming to SAU 24, Laura taught eighth grade English at Newport Middle School. In her free time, Laura enjoys spending time with her children, camping, and exploring new places to swim. She is excited to bring her passion for teaching and her love for adventure to her new role.



##### **Cali Hagen**

Fourth grade teacher

Before coming to Weare, Miss Hagen worked at Parkside Middle School in Manchester. She is interested in getting students involved with volleyball.



##### **Jessica C. Paquette**

Sixth grade science teacher

With six years of experience teaching at a charter school in Nashua, Jessica is excited to bring her expertise and enthusiasm for science to SAU 24. She was drawn to the district by the strong sense of community. Jessica is passionate about engaging her students with interactive

and hands-on science activities, fostering a love of learning and exploration. Outside of teaching, she is an avid artist, and her students are often surprised to learn about her creative side. Jessica is looking forward to building a vibrant and inclusive classroom environment where all students feel valued and inspired to learn.



### **Julia Perry**

Special education teacher

Ms. Perry comes from working in elementary schools, and is excited to work with middle school students this year. She is looking forward to a good school year, and has found all of the SAU 24 staff to be hardworking and kind. Julia's favorite ways to spend summers are reading, hiking and relaxing by any body of water.



### **Sophie Streed**

Physical education teacher

Ms. Streed is a recent Plymouth State University graduate who was also a member of the hockey program. The hockey program gave Sophie the opportunity to volunteer with youth hockey programs and grow her love of coaching. Sophie was drawn to SAU 24 because of the strong sense of community. Sophie is excited for the school year, and the opportunity to inspire future generations to enjoy movement, and learn new sports and games.



### **Susan Spezeski**

ELA interventionist

Mrs. Spezeski previously worked as a Title I reading interventionist in another school district, where she developed her passion for helping students improve their literacy skills. She is excited to bring this passion back to SAU 24, fostering a love of reading and writing among her students. Outside of the classroom, Susan is an animal lover and enjoys spending time with her three pets. She loves engaging in creative activities and spending quality time with her family. Susan is eager to reconnect with the SAU 24 community and create a positive impact on her students' educational journeys.



### **Daniel Wilczewski**

Math teacher

Mr. W. was drawn to SAU 24 by the supportive and welcoming community, as well as the opportunity to work closely with a dedicated team of educators. Daniel is passionate about helping

students develop a love for mathematics and aims to create an engaging and supportive classroom environment. He is proud of his choice to become a teacher and looks forward to making a positive impact in the lives of his students.



### **Paula Honeywell**

Fifth grade teacher

Ms. H was drawn to SAU 24 because of the school community and its team members. Paula is passionate about the outdoors, and enjoys canoeing and hiking with her family. One of her recent family trips included a ten day adventure down the Allagash River. She is beyond excited to be at WMS!



### **Jerod Ready**

Assistant Principal

After spending last spring at WMS as a substitute assistant principal, Mr. Ready returned this fall permanently in the position. Prior to moving into administration, Mr. Ready taught at Henniker Community School and in Wyoming. He appreciates the amazing team of leaders, educators and students in SAU 24. Mr. Ready spends most of his free time whitewater kayaking.

### **John Stark Regional High School**

Kristie Baldwin-DeCew

Special Education Teacher

Mrs. DeCew joins us from Landmark College, where she has been an Assistant Professor. Kristie is looking forward to working with this age group. Students may be surprised to know Mrs. DeCew is a pretty good snowboarder.



### **Maddie Cook**

Science teacher

With a unique background that includes seasonal work in Alaska, Maddie brings a fresh perspective to the classroom. She is eager to inspire her students with scientific exploration. Maddie is passionate about fostering curiosity and critical thinking in her students, encouraging them to ask questions and explore the world around them. Outside of teaching, she is interested in getting involved with the school's outdoor club, where she hopes to share her love for nature and the environment with her students. Maddie is excited to embark on this new journey and make a lasting impact at John Stark.





### Amy Gagliardi

English teacher

Ms. Gagliardi continues her work at John Stark Regional High School as an English Teacher. With a rich background in education and coaching, Amy has previously worked as a substitute teacher and coached the girls' tennis team at JSRHS. She is thrilled to now be a full-time member of the school's teaching staff. Amy is drawn to the strong support and collaborative environment at John Stark and is eager to contribute to its positive culture. She is passionate about literature and writing, and she looks forward to sharing her enthusiasm with her students. Amy is committed to fostering a love of learning and helping her students succeed both in and out of the classroom.



### Mandy Hibbert

Business teacher

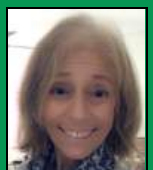
Ms. Hibbert joins John Stark as a Business Teacher. Previously she was a special educator at Weare Middle School and served as the John Stark DECA advisor. Ms. Hibbert has a passion for business and leadership. She runs her own small business and looks forward to working closely with future leaders and entrepreneurs. She is also looking forward reconnecting with all of the students that she knew at WMS.



### Sheree Rauner

English teacher

Mrs. Rauner has always had a deep love for reading and learning, which has inspired her to help others find that same passion. Before transitioning to education, Sheree managed inventory, logistics, and production for a food ingredient company. This experience has provided her with a unique perspective and a diverse skill set that she brings to her classroom. Sheree is excited to cultivate a love of literature and critical thinking in her students. Outside of teaching, Sheree enjoys spending her summers with her family. They often go to the beach, explore hiking trails, and go fishing together, cherishing the time spent outdoors. She looks forward to being a part of the John Stark community.



### Patricia Villarreal

Social Studies (civics, economics, personal financial management)

After teaching for 38 years in Corpus Christi, Texas, Patricia has returned to New Hampshire, where she feels right at

home in the Weare community. She is passionate about teaching Civics, Economics, and Personal Financial Management, and she looks forward to fostering a strong sense of civic engagement among her students. Patricia also hopes to bring new extracurricular activities like Mock Trial and National History Day to the school.



### Amber Zachos

Math teacher

Mrs. Zachos joins us after most recently teaching at Three Rivers School in Pembroke as an eighth grade math teacher, as well as a STEM Teacher at Pittsfield High School. During her free time Amber enjoys spending time with her family and friends, around a fire when possible. Her hobbies include DIY home renovations and landscaping, kayaking, hiking, and taking care of her many pets.



JSRHS senior **Connor Boudreau** organized a bass fishing tournament for his Capstone Project so the "people of the community can remember a fun day on the water catching fish and being part of a student project. The event drew 20 boats and 40 fishermen, and it was sanctioned by N.H. Fish and Game.

The proceeds of the event were donated back to the JSRHS bass fishing team.



## Obituary



**Dwight Thomas Lentsch**, age 16, of Weare, passed unexpectedly on Aug. 26.

Dwight loved being outside. He enjoyed hiking, fishing and camping and spent a lot of time in Acadia and other New England mountains with his friends. In winter, he loved skiing and even taught skiing to others. He was also unbelievable at

the pond skim at Pat's Peak.

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His favorite hobby was riding dirt bikes and he loved every minute of it. People were amazed at the things he could do on a dirt bike and often remarked that he seemed to have no fear. He was really free when he was riding. He spent hours tearing through the woods, working hard to compete in the rock crusher event put on by the Trail Riders of NH.

Dwight was the kind of person who just never gave up. He knew he could learn to fix anything just like his father. Dwight was a little wild but in a likable way. He loved spending time with his family, his girlfriend Sophia, his best friends Jason, Cam, Avery and the dogs. He was a kind and supportive friend to so many of us. He was a great help with building the houses and really worked as hard as he played...and we know he played hard.

He had a great sense of humor. His smile lit up a room and his laugh was absolutely contagious. He was always making jokes and pranking people, but he also had a serious side; like his love of welding and Boy Scouts and the successful landscaping business he had started with his friend, Cam. It was his absolute passion to mow. That wasn't work to him; it was fun. He even bragged about his beautiful lines when a job was completed. Dwight was a very hard-working boy and his work ethic was truly inspiring.

A year ago, Dwight met the love of his life, Sophia. They spent every day of the past 9 1/2 months together. They had a forever kind of love, and she will always be part of the family.

On Monday night at 11:08 p.m., Dwight closed his eyes for just a second, and, as the road curved, he stayed straight. He didn't feel anything; quick and easy. Dwight never made it home. He wasn't speeding; he was wearing his seatbelt and being safe, and everything has been proven by the police investigation.

Members of the family include his parents, Ryan S. and JaNeen L. (Berkner) Lentsch; one sister, Cassandra A. Lentsch; paternal grandparents, Alfred S. and Sharen A. Lentsch; maternal grandmother, Karen A. Berkner; two uncles, Scott D. Lentsch and Jon T. Berkner; one cousin, T.J. Berkner; girlfriend, Sophia L. Dillon; and many great aunts and uncles as well second and third cousins.

Following cremation, a memorial service was held at Bolton Memorial Park on Sept. 8 because this place holds so many dear memories from soccer and baseball games, playing on the playground and even Scout hikes.

In lieu of flowers, please send monetary donations to "The Lentsch Family Fund" c/o TD Bank PO Box 301 Weare, NH 03281. For more information: [www.frenchandrising.com](http://www.frenchandrising.com).

## American Legion Bake Sale

By Martha Kaloogian

**Sunday, Sept. 29, 8-11 a.m.**

WHERE: American Legion Hall, 12 North Stark Highway

WHY: Bake sale and raffles to help support our local veterans and overseas active duty military. If you would like more information on the American Legion or the Auxiliary, stop in at breakfast and we'd be happy to talk with you.



## Antiques Appraisal Day Is Coming

**Saturday, Oct. 19**

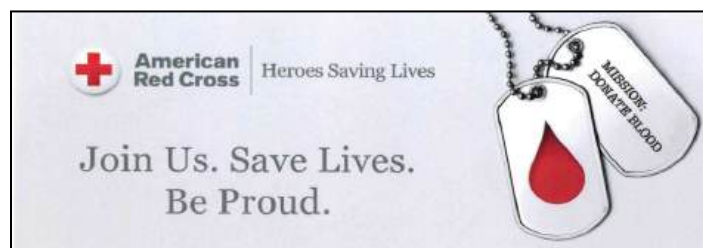
**11 a.m.-2 p.m.**

Osborne Memorial Hall

16 Deering Center Road, Rte. 149

\$5 per item; 3 items max.

For research, email a photo of your item(s) to: [mike@mReopel.com](mailto:mike@mReopel.com).



## Weare Fire Rescue Blood Drive

**Sept. 19, 12:30 -5 p.m.** 144 N. Stark Highway

For an appointment, visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-redcross.



## Attention All Area Nonprofits!

Goffstown Rotary Community Grant Applications are now available.

Each year, the Rotary gives away thousands of dollars to area nonprofits serving Goffstown, Weare and New Boston. The average grant is between \$250 and \$500.

So let us know what you need to better serve your community. Last year, we gave out 17 grants to small local non-profits. **Applications must be in by Oct. 4.**

For a copy of the application, please visit:

<https://goftstownrotary.org/>



## News from the Weare Police Department

### Safety Tips for Returning College Students

Walk with confidence! And continuously visualize different scenarios in your head...how would you respond to (this and that) situation if it were to happen...right now? Never appear vulnerable or confused when on the go and always think defensively!

1. Park your vehicle in well-lighted areas. When returning, have your key in hand and take a moment to check the interior of your vehicle before opening the door and climbing behind the wheel. Now, lock yourself in!
2. Make it a habit to walk with one or more people.
3. Have a clear plan when going out. Never leave your food or drink unattended.
4. Be aware of any available support services offered through campus security. While these programs do vary, many campuses now have blue lights spread throughout which are equipped with panic buttons to alert police.
5. Keep your dorm room locked. Even if you're going across the hall only for a minute or two. And, keep all other access points to the area secure as well (additional doors, windows, etc).
6. **Lastly, have fun, do great things and make memories!**

For more from the police department, call their business line at 603-529-7755 or go to their website at [www.weare.nh.gov/weare-police-department](http://www.weare.nh.gov/weare-police-department). Don't forget the "Officer Feedback" tab to let the police know your thoughts on community interactions. Find more: <https://www.facebook.com/wearepolicedepartment>

**COFFEE WITH A COP**  
**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2024**  
**10:00AM to 8:00PM**

SAVE THE DATE TO SWING BY THE WEARE SAFETY COMPLEX FOR **COFFEE & CONVERSATION** WITH CHIEF MOORE & OTHER MEMBERS OF YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT!

144 North Stark Highway  
 Weare, NH 03281  
 Tel. 603.529.7755

## Keep Your House Cozier This Winter

By Sarah Keniston



WindowDressers is a volunteer-run non-profit that helps participants learn to build their own and their neighbors' fuel-saving interior-mounted storm windows **at cost or for free** if they cannot pay.

The Henniker Lions Club and NH Lions Green Team have teamed up with the Canterbury Energy Committee to help people learn to build their own energy saving inserts.

Our "build" will be happening at the Canterbury Town Hall on the **week of Nov. 7**. It is kind of like a barn raising where all the participants come in for a shift or two to help build the inserts. Other volunteers who are not getting inserts also assist and do the teaching.

It is a wonderful project; each insert saves an average of 8.5 gallons of fuel a year and for folks who are able to pay, the inserts typically pay for themselves in two years, all while reducing our carbon footprint.

The Lions are measuring and taking orders for people who live in Weare, Henniker, Hopkinton, Hillsboro and Antrim. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions. **The last day to register is Oct. 4.**

Contact the [HennikerLions@gmail.com](mailto:HennikerLions@gmail.com). Please see our flier on page 15. The WindowDressers Website is also a good way to learn more. [www.windowdressers.org/](http://www.windowdressers.org/)



## Meet the Candidates

The Democratic Candidates for state and county offices will be available to listen and discuss issues important to you. Please drop by and meet the folks who have stepped up to run for these important positions.

**Thursday, Sept. 12 from 2-6 p.m.**

Where: Sawyer Room, Weare Public Library

Who: David Trumble, David Erikson, Luke Drake and Beverly Cotton.

**Also Friday, Sept. 27, 4-7 p.m.**

Where: Old Town Hall

All are welcome! Join us and enjoy many kinds of baked apple goodies while you listen to the Democratic candidates speak.



## New Instructors, New Learning with LINEC

By Chris Hague

American landscape painting is familiar to art lovers because of its serene beauty. The Learning Institute of New England College is pleased to welcome back Inez McDermott, who will teach a mini-course, "The Contemplation of Eternal Things: Nineteenth Century American Landscape Painting" beginning Oct. 9. She will look at artwork from the Hudson River School and White Mountains. McDermott is a Professor Emeritus at New England College and has taught a LINEC course on paintings of the White Mountains, coordinated with an exhibit she curated at the Currier Museum of Art. This was just one of many exhibits she has curated. The public is invited to join this class by registering at [linec.org](http://linec.org).

It is one of six in-person offerings in LINEC's fall lineup, which runs from Oct. 7 to Nov. 15. Unlike formal undergraduate college classes, LINEC is geared to informal senior learning, often offering topics busy adults never had time to explore. There are no quizzes, but plenty of time for questions and discussion led by qualified peers. Other in-person classes include Artificial Intelligence led by Curtiss Rude; Shakespeare's *Macbeth* led by NEC Professor of Theater Emeritus Glenn Stuart; Food and Faith with Rev. Suzanne Rude; and Don Melander's viewing and discussion of Ingmar Bergman Films. All these classes meet at the Baker Free Library in Bow. Sign up with a friend and carpool.

The book discussion group meets year-round at Tucker Free Library in Henniker. Every first Wednesday a discussion led by Rev. John McCausland reviews a Booker Prize winning novel.

Zoom courses offer learning and discussion from home. Don Melander, Professor of English Emeritus at New England College, will lead a reading Homer's *Odyssey*, an epic poem describing Greek warrior Odysseus's long journey home. New England College Professor Ali Reza Jalili will present The Economy of the Middle East, a late afternoon class. Eric Simon, Professor in NEC's Biology and Health Science Department, returns with Nature as Consilience of Science and Art: An Ongoing Exploration. Sara Traphagen, familiar with poetry and Civil War medicine, offers Open Heart Surgery: Walt Whitman and Civil War Medicine. Philosophy 101, led by Lisa Melander, bases discussion on selections from Bertrand Russell's *A History of Western Philosophy*.

LINEC participants often comment that they enjoy exposure to topics other than those they were familiar

with during their careers. Socializing with peers is also a popular reason for registering with LINEC. **Registration closes Sept. 28 for classes beginning in October.** To read full course descriptions and times, and register online see [www.linec.org](http://www.linec.org).

## Scout News



Any families interested in joining Scouts may check out recruiting night at the Weare Public Library on Sept. 18 from 6 -8 p.m. Come grab a free Scout bookmark and learn all about what Scouting has to offer.

Hand in Hand  
**SENIOR CENTER  
& THRIFT SHOP**

**JOIN US TO LEARN MORE  
ABOUT THE FEATURES ON  
YOUR PHONE!**

Presented by our Tech Trainer,  
Roland Beauregard

**What you'll learn:**

- how to send a text
- how to send an email
- how to use attachments

**Saturday, September 21  
at 10:00 a.m.**

**Hand in Hand Senior Center  
33 N Stark Hwy, Weare**

Call to sign up at 603-529-4263 and leave your name and phone number. Or, stop by the Center Wednesday-Saturday between 11 am - 4 pm (sign-up sheet on the bulletin board)

FOR APPLE OR  
ANDROID  
PHONES.  
**PLEASE BRING  
YOUR PHONE!**

## Weare Public Library Upcoming Events

### MONDAYS

2:30-4 p.m. PokeMondays (kids). Meet, trade, and play with other Pokemon card game enthusiasts and win prizes.

### TUESDAYS

10:30 a.m. Mother Goose Time (ages 0-2): A new storytime for infants and little ones with simple rhymes, stories and songs!

### TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

2-4:30 p.m. Cards! (adults). Meet and play pinochle or cribbage with other card game enthusiasts. Paige Room.

### WEDNESDAYS

10:30 a.m. Preschool Storytime (ages 3-5): Longer stories, movement and songs followed by a simple craft or related activity.

2-4:30 p.m.: Afterschool Gaming (ages 6-18). Challenge friends on the Nintendo Switch, PlayStation, etc.

5-6 p.m. Ruff Readers (ages 5-11). Emerging readers get to read with one of our visiting therapy dogs. Sign up by calling us at 603-529-2044.

### THURSDAYS

1-3 p.m. Craft Group (adults). Learn a new craft. Space is limited. Call us to register.

### FRIDAYS

10:30-noon. Baby & Toddler 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, and music.

### Special Events

**Book Group:** Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. We're reading and discussing "Isaac's Storm: An Account of History's Deadliest Hurricane," by Erik Larson. Call us 603-529-2044 to reserve your copy.

**Teen Bleach Tie-Dye:** Sept. 26 at 2:30 p.m. Kids in grades 5 and up can bring a dark colored t-shirt to create spooky seasonal designs with a reverse tie-dye method. Call to sign-up: 603-529-2044.

**East Weare Railroad Walk & Talk:** Sept. 28 at 10 a.m., 1:30 p.m. or 4 p.m. (Meet at the Everett Dam parking lot.) All aboard! Explore the lesser-known history of Weare and its neighboring towns as you leisurely walk a mile along the bed of the original NH Central Railroad. Register for a tour by calling the library at 603-529-2044.

Cliches: Common Expressions and their Origin: Oct 16. at 7 p.m. The whole nine yards? Eighty sixty something? We all use cliches, bromides, idioms, and well-worn expressions, but what do they mean? Join humorist Eric Fielding for a fun look at the things we say and what it says about us!

Weare: Beyond Belief II: Oct. 24 at 6:30 p.m. Beware: Creepy tales of the paranormal are back! Hear from local storytellers. Can you separate fact from fiction? It's at the East Weare Cemetery (24 Buzzell Hill Rd). If it's raining, we'll gather at the library. ***Have a story (true or false) that you'd like to share? Call Cryptid Clay at the library.***

Kid's Halloween Party: Oct. 30 at 10:30 a.m. Kids ages 0-5 are invited for some not-too-scary stories, activities and refreshments. Costumes encouraged!

*For registrations, call 603-529-2044.*

**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 p.m.**

**603-529-4263 / [www.facebook.com/hihsc.org](http://www.facebook.com/hihsc.org)**

**Hand in Hand Senior Center and Thrift Shop** continues to be a busy hub in the center of Weare. Without the financial support of the Thrift Shop, the Senior Center could not exist. We appreciate all those who bring lightly used quality items and all those who shop at our diverse, upscale, friendly Thrift Shop.

With that in mind, we introduce another of our shop volunteers: **Cindy Sullivan**. This bubbly, chatty, welcoming woman started volunteering at Hand in Hand Thrift Shop to fill a gap after retiring from a demanding, stressful career which involved meeting with people to explain legal documents. Helping people find something they are looking for, or finding something they didn't realize they couldn't live without, is part of Cindy's conversational charm. Cindy hopes that she helps to make the Center/Thrift Shop a wonderful, happy and friendly place where one leaves with a smile, having had a good experience.





She has lived in Weare for 38 years, saying it's a wonderful small community to be part of and to raise a family. She has done just that, with four grown children and three grandchildren. In her spare time, she enjoys her flower garden (the work and the results). Come and chat with Cindy. A visit with her just might make your day.

Join us at the Center on Wednesday, Sept. 18 for lunch and to hear what **programs the VNA could offer the Center**. Our movie this month, Thursday, Sept. 26 at 4 p.m. is "Where'd You Go, Bernadette?" It's the story about a loving mom driven to reconnect with her creative passions after years of sacrificing herself for her family. Refreshments are always part of the movie experience.

Sign up to join a class (Sept. 21 at 10–11:30 a.m.) to **learn more about how to use and enjoy features on your phone**. Please see the separate announcement on page 7 for details.

Never stop learning; knowledge has no expiration date!

### WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?



Every Wednesday from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Dine in, take out or free delivery.

**Sept. 11:** Chicken cutlet sandwiches, tomato & cucumber salad, chips

**Sept. 18:** Chicken tacos, tater tots

**Sept. 25:** Breakfast for lunch. Texas French toast, fruit cup.

Coffee, tea, and various desserts are also available. All are welcome to stay for games, crafts, and conversation.

### WHAT'S IN THE SHOP?



**We have such wonderful donors to the Thrift Shop! Look at these beautiful items. And there is so much more!**



Weare Parks and Recreation  
Hosting  
BBQ For Seniors



September 14, 2024  
12:00 – 2:00 pm  
Chase Park – Lake Horace

Weare Resident Seniors Ages 60 and over Welcome, Space is Limited  
Free Tickets Available at Weare Public Library.  
Tickets Available Until September 11, 2024.  
No Rain Date



## Weare Garden Club Fall Plant Sale

**Saturday, Oct. 5, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.**  
**Outside the American Legion building**

*Need a plant fix? Not sure if your plant can winter outside? Interested in joining the group? Stop by the American Legion Saturday, Oct. 5! We will also have a fun craft for kids to make and take home! All proceeds will go towards the [Weare Garden Club](#) for programming and supporting the scholarship.*

## Lookin' for Love

By Cathy Bailey

If you'd like to adopt any of the pets pictured here, fill out an application at this link::

<https://www.heartsandtails.org/adoption-application>.

\*Unless otherwise specified, all dogs are house trained, vaccinations are up to date and they are spayed/neutered and microchipped.



Meet Princessa! She is a Chihuahua and is known for being affectionate, athletic, friendly, gentle, playful, loyal, quiet and smart. She is good in a home with other dogs and children. This soft velvety girl loves to go for walks, and she does well on a leash. Her photos don't do her

justice; she's an ADORABLE tiny bundle of joy!

Princessa was kept tied on a leash outside in the hot sun of Puerto Rico, hungry, thirsty, and totally neglected. She was rescued by one of our wonderful partner organizations, and subsequently fostered in Puerto Rico to help her acclimate to a family environment. Princessa has arrived in NH and is excited to begin the search for her forever family!

Princessa is two years old and she weighs just seven pounds.

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**LOVE, continued from page 9**



Meet Betty White! She is a Cairn Terrier and Miniature Schnauzer mix known for being affectionate, curious, friendly, gentle, playful, loving, and smart. She is good in a home with other dogs and children.

This precious girl gets along well with every dog she meets. She's confident and playful and would do well in a home with another dog. She's crate trained and she's working on her potty training. She enjoys playing with other dogs. Betty loves to go for walks and she's great on a leash.

She has a beautiful, soft, wire coat and sparkling, intelligent eyes. She is SMALLER than she appears in her photos. She's attentive and eager to please her human(s). This pretty baby was found on the beach in Puerto Rico, looking for food among the rocks. It was heart wrenching to see how thin she was. She has now arrived in New England and she's anxious to have her forever family come and whisk her away to a better life! Betty is about 1 year old, weighs 17 pounds.

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



## Looking for Something to Do?

Compiled by Sharon Czarnecki



**AG Paintball** 603-529-3524

[www.agpaintball.com](http://www.agpaintball.com)

**9/21** \* 2-day event Stocktoberfest

**9/22** \* 8 a.m.-5 p.m. BYOP Bring your own paint  
 Registration required for all events.



56 Mt. Vernon St., Milford  
 (603) 672-1002 x38

<https://amatocenter.org>

**See website for upcoming shows.**



**American Legion Post 65**

12 North Stark Highway, Weare

603-529-2722 [www.wearepost65.org](http://www.wearepost65.org)

**Until Nov. 3:** Breakfast every **Sunday** 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.



**Capitol Center for the Arts**

603-225-1111

[www.ccanh.com](http://www.ccanh.com)

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

**9/13** \* 7:30 p.m. Steamroller- Music of James Taylor

**9/14** \* 7:30 p.m. Danny Bedrosian & Secret Army/music

**9/20 & 21** \* 7:30 p.m. Play: "Life Sucks"

**9/22** \* 2 p.m. Play: "Life Sucks"

**Chubb Theatre 44 S. Main St, Concord, NH**

- 9/13 \* 7:30 p.m. Lorrie Morgan/singer  
 9/18 \* 7:30 p.m. Roger McGuinn/singer  
 9/20 \* 7:00p.m. Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse  
 Live In Concert  
 9/21 \* 7:30 p.m. Nurse John: The Short Staffed Tour  
 Comedy



150 Ash St. Manchester 603-669-6144

[www.Currier.org](http://www.Currier.org)

**NOTE: Our library has discount passes!**

**Until Dec. 31 \* Frank Lloyd Wright Homes Tours**

### EXHIBITS

- Until 10/6** "Twilight Sounds" / Daniel Otero Torres  
**Until 11/3** "Stories of the Sea" / Van Gogh & Wyeth  
**Until 1/ 12** "Construction & Color" / Olga de Amaral  
**Until 2/ 2** "Impressions of the Human Spirit" / Dan Dailey

**Classes and Workshops** Registration required. See website. Cost range is \$150 to \$375 for non-members. Start dates for classes are:

- 9/21 \* 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Botanical Pounded Art  
 9/25 \* 10:30-11:30 Small Hands Age 4-5 With Parent  
 9/25 \* 4:30-6 p.m. Color & Mixed Media age 8-12  
 9/25 \* 4:30-6 p.m. Art Explorers age 6-7  
 9/26 \* 1:30-3:30 p.m. Watercolor from the Beginning  
 9/26 \* 5:30-7:30 p.m. Watercolor Beyond the Basics

**Scholarships** – full or partial tuition on a needs basis

**Art for Vets** – full tuition to vets & their families



### Dunbarton Garden Club

Dunbarton Town Hall, 1004 School Street

[DGC03046@gmail.com](mailto:DGC03046@gmail.com)

[www.dunbartongardenclub.org](http://www.dunbartongardenclub.org)

**Now until gone:** daffodil bulbs. Pick up in Dunbarton. Choose from five specially selected packages available for purchase. Will **NOT** be shipped.

<https://www.dunbartongardenclub.org/daffodils>



### Fuller Public Library

29 School Street, Hillsborough

603-464-3595

[www.fullerlibrary.info](http://www.fullerlibrary.info)

- 9/14 \* 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Photography Display by  
 Deanna Farrell Wood  
 9/14 \* 10 a.m. Seedy Saturday/ composting, fall gardens  
 9/16 & 23 \* 2 p.m. Tech Help  
 9/16 & 23 \* 1 p.m. Knitting Purls  
 9/1, 19, 24 & 26 \* 10 a.m. Storytime  
 9/19 & 26 \* 1 p.m. Board Games – Adults

### Grimes Field, 28 Preston St, Hillsboro

9/14, 18, 21 & 25 \* 9 a.m. Toddler Soccer (ages 2-3)

9/14, 18, 21 & 25 \* 9:30 a.m Toddler Soccer ( 4-5)

Fee \$20 Register at: [www.hillsboro.recdesk.com](http://www.hillsboro.recdesk.com)

9/16 & 23 \* 5:30 p.m. Adult Co-Ed Soccer (18 plus)

9/16 & 23 \* 5:30 p.m. Adult Pickleball

### Grapevine Center, 4 Aiken St., Antrim

9/18 \* 6 p.m. Mom's Campfire

### Project Genesis 7 School St, Hillsboro

9/20 \* 10 a.m. Coffee Connection

### Hillsboro Methodist Church 16 Henniker St., Hillsboro

9/21 \* 5:30 pm. Auction – Goods, Services, Talents

### Bradford Cntr Meeting Hse 18 Rowe Mt Rd, Bradford

9/21 \* 5 p.m. Summer Music Series

The Hot Skillet Club \$10

### Smith Cong. Church, 30 West Main St., Hillsboro

9/21 \* 2 p.m. Dementia Discussion



### Hampshire Hills Athletic Club

50 Emerson Rd., Milford 603-673-7123

[www.hampshirehills.com](http://www.hampshirehills.com)

9/22 \* 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Yin Yoga

9/23 \* 10:15-10:45 a.m. Baby Ballet ages 2-4. Reg. req.



### Henniker Brewing Co.

129 Centerville Road, Henniker

(603) 428-3579 [www.hennikerbrewing.com](http://www.hennikerbrewing.com)

**Food for purchase in red.**

9/14 \* 12-2 p.m. [Flags on the 48/](#)Commemorating 9/11

**Location: Mt. Liberty in Lincoln, NH**

9/14 \* 5-7 p.m. Kevin Horan Music/MC **Street Eats**

9/15 \* **Abeetz & Frites Pizza & Fries**

9/18 \* 6 p.m. Run Club/**Bewitchen Kitchen**

9/19 \* 6 p.m. Trivia/**Teenie Wienies**

9/20 \* **Smokin' Trolley Catering**

9/21 \* 3 p.m. Punch Box/**Hobos AG's Kitchen**

9/21 \* 1-4 p.m. [Claremont Brewfest](#)

9/21 \* 1-4 p.m. [Manchester Brewfest](#)

9/21 \* 5:30-9 p.m. [Derry After Dark](#)

9/22 \* **MC Street Eats**

9/25 \* 6 p.m. Last Run Club of 2024/**Cookout**

9/26 \* 6 p.m. Trivia/**Bewitchen Kitchen**



### Henniker - Town of

18 Depot Hill Road [www.henniker.org](http://www.henniker.org)

**Grange Hall 21 Western Ave, Henniker**

9/8 \* 10-11 a.m. A.A. meeting



### Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce

[www.ghcconh.org/event](http://www.ghcconh.org/event)

**American Legion Hall, 538 W. Main St.**

9/13 \* 7-11 p.m. Karaoke Night



### Hillsboro Moose Lodge

15 School St., Hillsboro 603-464-6024

<https://www.facebook.com/hillsboro.mooselodge/>

See website for September events.



98 Bridge St., Henniker

603-428-2000 [www.nec.edu](http://www.nec.edu)



9/23 \* Deadline to register for fall classes



### Majestic Theatre

880 Page Street, Manchester  
(603) 669-7469 [www.majestictheatre.net](http://www.majestictheatre.net)

9/20-21 \* 6:30 p.m. PARIS! City of Lights  
19<sup>th</sup> Annual Auction & Performance – tickets \$20  
Auction item previews at [www.majestictheatre.net](http://www.majestictheatre.net)  
9/22-23 \* 6 p.m. Auditions for “A Christmas Story:  
The Musical” / Adults, teens and children needed.



2 Institute Drive, Concord  
(603) 271-7827 [www.starhop.com](http://www.starhop.com)

9/21 \* All day Membership Sale – Minus 10%  
9/21 \* 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aerospacefest  
Until 9/19 Three special shows in the planetarium  
See website for details



### Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum

18 Highlawn Rd. Warner, NH 03278  
603-456-2600 [www.indianmuseum.org](http://www.indianmuseum.org)

Until 10/31\* Baskets: Carriers of Life and Spirit. Ongoing:  
Medicine Wood Trail. Betsy Janeway Arboretum & Activity  
Area. Artifacts from prehistoric to contemporary Native  
Americans.



1 Central Wharf [www.neaq.org](http://www.neaq.org)  
Boston, MA 02110 617-973-5206

**NOTE: Our library has discount passes!**

**Featured Exhibits:** Amazon rainforest /  
Atlantic harbor seals / Giant ocean tank / Indo-Pacific  
coral reef / Marine mammal center/ Olympic Coast  
sanctuary / Penguin colony / Sea jellies / Science of the  
sharks / Shark and ray touch tank.

**Now showing:** “Animal Kingdom” ((3D) NEW featuring  
animals from around the world; “Ocean Paradise” (3D);  
“Secrets of the Sea (3D).” (*Tickets required.*)



**NH Audubon** 84 Silk Farm Rd. Concord  
602-224-9909 [NHAudubon.org](http://NHAudubon.org)

### The McLane Center 84 Silk Farm Road, Concord

9/14 \* 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Member Celebration Day  
Cost: Individual \$45 / Family: \$60 / Senior, Student,  
Veteran, Teacher \$30  
Morning activities involve mosses and mushrooms,  
plant & wildlife cycles, fall bird search and a talk on tagging  
to study migration.  
Picnic lunch is provided, followed by the annual Business  
Meeting, Annual Awards, and Membership Milestones  
recognition.  
The day ends with a Keynote Address by Sara Robertson  
Morris, Executive Director at Shoals Marine Laboratory.  
9/20 \* 4-6 p.m. Reception Native NH Birds Exhibit

### Chase Wildlife Sanctuary Jewett Road Hopkinton

9/21 \* 8:30-10 a.m. Free Birding Outing (RSVP needed)  
**Massabesic Center 26 Audubon Way, Auburn, NH**  
9/21 \* 10-11 a.m. Free Tour of the Massabesic  
Center Gardens (RSVP required)



Night Owl Quilting Studio  
4 Main St. Goffstown 603-384-2557  
[www.nightowlquiltingstudio.com](http://www.nightowlquiltingstudio.com)

**Through late September** Fall Challenge Quilt Kits  
Pick up yours for \$5 / Entries due by Oct 12  
Gift Certificate Prizes – 1<sup>st</sup> \$50 / 2<sup>nd</sup> \$30 / 3<sup>rd</sup> \$25

**Join a Quilting Related Club – Register Required**

9/13 \* 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Sit N Sew \$10  
9/14 \* 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Quilt Club  
10/1 \* Deadline for Longarm Projects  
to ensure they are ready for Christmas  
10/3 \* 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Berina Machine Club  
10/3 \* 6-8 p.m. Berina Machine Club



80 Hanover St., Manchester  
603-668-5588

### Main Stage – 80 Hanover St. Manchester

(Children or Youth Theater Shown in **Bold**)

9/13 – 9/14 \* 7:30 p.m. Oliver!  
9/14 – 9/15 \* 2 p.m. Oliver!  
9/18-19 \* 7 p.m. **Disney's Camp Rock**  
9/20-21 \* 7:30 p.m. Oliver!  
9/21-22 \* 2 p.m. Oliver!  
9/25 \* 8 p.m. Witch Perfect  
9/26 \* 7:30 p.m. Oliver!  
**Rex Theatre – 23 Amherst St., Manchester**  
9/13 \* 7:30 p.m. Evening w/ The Jon Poussette (concert)  
9/14 \* 7:30 p.m. Silver Springs Fleetwood Mac Tribute  
9/15 \* 2 p.m. Bedford Big Band  
9/18 \* 6 p.m. A Tribute to Queen and More  
9/18 \* 8:30 p.m. A Tribute to Coldplay & Imagine Dragons  
9/19 \* 7 p.m. Manchester Citywide Arts  
Festival's Open Mic Night  
9/20 \* 7:30 p.m. Dueling Pianos: Live at the Rex  
9/21 \* 7 p.m. Granite State Comicon 2024



### Poetry Society of New Hampshire

[www.facebook.com/PoetrySocietyNH](http://www.facebook.com/PoetrySocietyNH)  
(603) 332-0732

**First Unitarian Universalist Society of Exeter 12 Elm St**  
[www.exeteruu.org](http://www.exeteruu.org) 603- 772-4002

See website for events

**Frost Farm Poetry 122 Rockingham Rd, Derry**  
[www.frostfarmpoetry.org](http://www.frostfarmpoetry.org) 603-432-309/1

See website for events

**Bookery Manchester, 844 Elm Street**  
[www.bookerymht.com/open-mic-night](http://www.bookerymht.com/open-mic-night)  
603 836-6600

See website for events



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

[www.see-sciencecenter.org](http://www.see-sciencecenter.org)

**NOTE: Our library has discount passes!**

**Manchester City Library 405 Pinel St. Manchester**

**9/18 \* 10 a.m.** Storytime Science  
Pete the Cat: Registration recommended)



Southern NH University Arena  
555 Elm St. Manchester  
603-644-5000

[www.snhuarena.com/events](http://www.snhuarena.com/events)

(See website for listings)



South Weare Improvement Society  
16 Deering Center Rd., Weare

[www.facebook.com/SouthWeare](http://www.facebook.com/SouthWeare)

**9/21 \* 6:30 p.m.** Bingo \$10 for 18 plus



23 Science Center Road  
Holderness, NH

603-968-7194 [www.nhnature.org](http://www.nhnature.org)

**NOTE: Our library has discount passes!**

**Mon. & Fri. \* 3 p.m.** Loon Cruise

**Tue. & Thu. \* 3 p.m.** Cruise with a Naturalist

**Daily \* 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.** Live animal exhibit trail  
and hiking trails.

**On M, W & F \* 11:30 a.m.** Join us at the **River Otter Exhibit** to see our two river otters have an early lunch.

**-Until Nov. 1: Dinosaurs Return.** Life-size dinosaurs. See website.

**9/14 \* 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.** Birds of Prey program  
by the Vermont Institute of Natural Science  
featuring a flight demonstration

**9/14 \* 12 & 2 p.m.** Migratory Raptors

**9/18 \* 2 p.m.** Kirkwood Gardens Guided Tour  
Registration Required



Stark Brewing Co.  
500 N Commercial St., Manchester  
603-625-4444

[www.starkbrewingcompany.com](http://www.starkbrewingcompany.com)

See website for details.



White Birch Community Center

51 Hall Ave, Henniker

(603) 428-7860 [www.whitebirchcc.org](http://www.whitebirchcc.org)

<https://mailchi.mp/e808d844cb02/81922-weekly-newsletter-12772976>

(Programs are FREE unless listed in blue)

Please RSVP [rustyg@whitebirchcc.org](mailto:rustyg@whitebirchcc.org) to be sure there is space available. Volunteer **Dial-A-Ride Drivers Needed**  
For more info contact Rusty: 603-428-3077.

<b>9/13, 17, 20 &amp; 24 * 9:30 a.m.</b>	Bone Builders
<b>9/13 * Noon</b>	Grill & Chill
<b>9/13 &amp; 20 * 1 p.m.</b>	Cribbage
<b>9/13 &amp; 20 * 2 p.m.</b>	Forever Young Fitness
<b>9/16, 19, 23 &amp; 26 * 10 a.m.</b>	Bone Builders
<b>9/16, 18, 23, &amp; 25 * 1 p.m.</b>	Bridge
<b>9/17 &amp; 24 * 10:45 a.m.</b>	Gentle Chair Yoga
<b>9/17 &amp; 24 * 1 p.m.</b>	Mah Jongg
<b>9/18 &amp; 25 * 8:30 a.m.</b>	Tai Chi – strength, balance
<b>9/18 &amp; 25 * 10 a.m.</b>	Knit Wits knitting group
<b>9/18 * 10 a.m.</b>	GVNA Health Clinic
<b>9/19 &amp; 26 * 8:45 a.m.</b>	Gentle Yoga
<b>9/19 * 9:30 a.m.</b>	Bus Trip - Tilton Outlets
<b>9/20 * 9 a.m.</b>	<b>Paquette &amp; Shaw Golf Classic</b>
<b>9/24 * 11 a.m.</b>	Dominoes
<b>9/24 * 1 p.m.</b>	Movie – Maestro
<b>9/25 * 8:45 a.m.</b>	Breakfast at Intervale Pancake House
<b>9/26 * 9:20 a.m.</b>	Bus Trip – Bowling at Boutwell's

### White Birch Center Benefit Golf Tournament



**DATE:** Friday September 20, 2024

**WHERE:** Stonebridge Country Club

**TIME:** Check-in starts at 7:30 a.m.

Start is at 9:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** 161 Gorham Pond Road, Goffstown

**PHONE:** 603-497-8633

**COST:** One \$125 / Two \$250 / Four \$500

**REGISTER:**

[11th Annual Paquette & Shaw Financial Group, LLC Golf Classic \(golfstatus.com\)](http://11thAnnualPaquette&ShawFinancialGroup.LLCGolfClassic(golfstatus.com))

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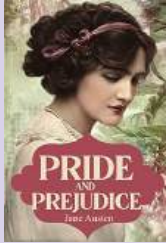
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## **Asked and Answered:** **Books**

### **The Heroine Perseveres**

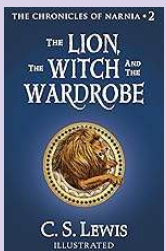
By Beth Woltjen



My favorite is “Pride and Prejudice” by Jane Austen because it is so well written and the protagonist is intelligent, capable and industrious. She refuses to lower her standard or accept anything or anyone who isn’t right for her. She perseveres in the face of uncertainty and hardship and triumphs. And I like it because she finds the right Prince Charming for her.

### **One of My Favorite Books**

By Joe Czarnecki



“The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe” by C.S. Lewis. It is a wonderfully written series. The Christ metaphors and parallels to Christianity are well explored. There is also evident growth from childhood insecurity into maturity.

The themes are grand, the landscape is fantasy and includes magic and endless possibilities. The story is simple and elegant.

### **The Right Man at the Right Time**

By Diane Padilla



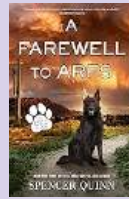
“The Splendid and The Vile,” by Erik Larson, is a 500 page book that reads like a well-written, fast-paced novel. It details the first year of Winston Churchill’s service as Britain’s Prime Minister, when England was bombed ferociously by Nazi fighter jets. Larson writes of the tremendous courage and spirit displayed by the British people in the face of this fury, the political situation Churchill faced, and how he was the right man at the right time to lead the nation. Churchill was wise enough to pick the strongest and brightest people to help him in his time of trial.

Larson delves deeply into how politically savvy Churchill was in his dealings with national and world leaders, particularly President Franklin Roosevelt. He had to carefully court a reluctant Roosevelt into deeper involvement in the war, knowing that many Americans held isolationist views. And Larson balances all this with personal portraits of Churchill, his family, and the people involved on both sides of the war. It’s a solid

read that had me hooked from the start, and Larson’s writing style takes historical research and turns it into a masterful tome.

### **Animals & Mysteries**

By Marge Burke



If you like mysteries and animals in one book, *Farewell to Arms* is for you. The story is narrated by Chet, the dog, who failed K9 training but became partner to Bernie Little, a detective. Chet rides shotgun in a beat up Porsche out into the Arizona desert in search of criminals. This story is full of AI intrigue as the partners solve the mystery after Chet uses his nose doing reconnaissance at a secluded mansion.

### **Favorite Books? The List Is Growing Every Day!**

By Marlayna Keane



What an impossible task. How about “Lord of the Rings”? Oh, and we must include “Dune”. But, don’t forget the Dragon series by Anne McCaffery. And “1984” has to be on that list, right?

I guess, in general, I like the fantasy genre. I already live in this world, so I want to be taken somewhere else when I have time to read for pleasure. The characters often have a lot of the same problems we do, and even use the same solutions, but the world they are in is vastly different. I love a good origin story where the author takes the time for lots of world building.

### **All The King’s Men**

By Sharon Czarnecki



I hated that book to begin with. I was so angry with the author that I actually carried the book around with me and took it to friends’ houses for dinner. For several weeks, the book was my plus 1 and I was very vocal about my disbelief that this book could be so esteemed.

Here’s what I hated most about it, the run-on sentences. They were absolutely spectacular! As I remember it, there was at least one example of an entire page that was only one sentence long! Do you know how much grief I got for that from a plethora of English teachers? Yet those same teachers revered Robert Penn Warren as having “an excellent command of the language” and, of course, for being a Pulitzer Prize winning author of the classic “All the King’s Men”.



However, my husband and I were determined to spend at least part of our retirement making a dent in the Newsweek List of the Top 100 Books – see link below.

So, we kept reading....and I can now tell you unequivocally that this book is my all-time # 1 favorite. The use of the English language is exquisite. So, if you enjoy an exceptional turn of phrase, I seriously doubt you will find anything better anywhere else.

[www.alistofbooks.com/lists/10-top-100-books-by-newsweek](http://www.alistofbooks.com/lists/10-top-100-books-by-newsweek)

## It Stays with You for Days

By Val Bartholomew



I guess I would have to say one of my favorites is "The Chosen" by Chaim Potok. It was decades ago that I first read it, and I found it to be one of those creations that so captivates the mind and spirit, that it is still reverberating within you for days afterwards. Potok educates as he entertains, and is easy to read. As I think on it – it's well past time to read it again.

Of course, I am also fond of the whole fantasy genre because it takes you away on an escape. I will read just about any of the later works by L.E. Modesitt. And "Good Night Moon" by Margaret Wise Brown and Clement Hurd because.... Well isn't it one of everyone's favorites?

## Gripping Historical Novel

By Ken Katz



One of my favorite books is a novel by William Martin named simply enough: "Cape Cod". The characters really come alive as the novel goes through a series of flashbacks. It makes you wonder who showed up on the Cape first – way before the pilgrims. I couldn't put it down.



### Tell Us About:

### Being a Tourist!

September 27 is [World Wide Tourism Day](#). Have you traveled outside of NH? If so, send us your favorite photo

and let us know what you liked about the place you visited. Would you recommend that someone go to that place now? Did it broaden your horizons? Did it surprise you, change you?



## POETRY CORNER

### Sky Battle

It began with fog,  
the kind that is like  
driving through dirty  
water, then cleared to  
clear water rain shower,  
later, clouds jostling  
for position, blotting  
out the sun, back and  
forth, a battle of  
wills, clouds, rain, maybe  
occasional peak  
of sunlight, battle  
ramped up, clouds black,  
flashes of lightning  
lit up the sky, then  
jolting thunder claps,  
torrents of rain fell,  
bounced of pavement  
like ping pong balls,  
what a battle, rain won.

-Marge Burke

### Abundance of Fall

Down the hill between  
road and apple trees,  
signs of good harvest,  
bushels full of ripe  
apples sit on pallets,  
yellow crisp, red macs  
cortlands, and more, wait  
for transport trucks,  
air fragrant with ripe  
orchard bounty, hedge  
of waning sunflowers,  
flamboyant zinnias  
distant mountain range  
added abundance.

-Marge Burke

### A Chill

A chill in the air  
it was to be expected  
because seasons change.

-Marge Burke



## A Drafty House This Winter?

It doesn't have to be next year!

Get insulating window inserts for your home at **LOW or NO cost!**

**Last Day to Register is Friday, October 4**

### Insert Benefits

- Helps lower your heating costs
- Keeps your home warm through winter
- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions
- One insert saves around 8.5 gallons of heating fuel every year.

Scan to sign up for inserts!



**Merrimack Valley Community Build**  
Serving: Boscawen, Canterbury, Henniker, Hopkinton, Loudon, & Weare

Nov. 7th - Nov. 13th, 2024  
Canterbury Town Hall  
1 Old Tilton Rd, Canterbury NH 03224

Contact: MerrimackValleyWD@gmail.com  
• Ruth Heath, 603-724-4343  
• Claudia Leidinger, 603-568-4713  
• Sarah Keniston, HennikerLions@gmail.com

**Merrimack Valley WindowDressers**  
Sponsored by: Loudon Energy Committee, Canterbury Energy Committee, Loudon Lions Club, Henniker Lions Club, NH Lions Green Team



## Call for Help



In January, the current staff of *Weare in the World* will have been bringing you these biweekly issues every month for five years! We didn't know what we were getting into back in early 2020, but we loved *Weare in the World* as published by Michael Sullivan of the Weare Public Library, and we wanted to do what we could to keep it going. Maybe you felt the same way. Maybe you feel the same way now.

There are five Weare residents who work together every month to produce this publication that magically appears in your inbox and at [www.weareintheworldnews.com](http://www.weareintheworldnews.com). Three of us are over 70 and involved in other volunteer endeavors and the other two are working moms juggling school and sports schedules. We don't get paid to do this work, and it does require continued sacrifice. At our summer meeting, we discussed the longevity of this publication, given the varying levels of burnout, busy-ness, and health concerns of the group publishing it.

We hope that you, just like us in 2020, see *Weare in the World* as a positive presence in our community and want it to continue. If so, we ask that you consider what

you could contribute to keep it going. Here are some thoughts:

- Are you good at talking with people? Would you like to interview business owners?
- Do you like research? Would you like to put together lists of local upcoming events?
- Do you attend town board and committee meetings? Could you write about the highlights?
- Do you like attending local events? Could you take pictures?
- Do you like animals? Would you like putting together a piece about dogs up for adoption?
- Do you like sending emails? Would you like to reach out to groups and organizations asking for information about their recent activities?

We intend to continue publishing as long as we can, but sometimes our energy (and time) is running low. If you are interested in helping to continue the Weare in the World legacy, please let us know at [weareintheworldnews@gmail.com](mailto:weareintheworldnews@gmail.com). We will discuss which assignments might match your interests and provide an information packet to help get you started. We look forward to hearing from you and thank you for reading!

## Mark Your Calendar

### Wednesday, Sept. 11

- 4:30 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

### Monday, Sept. 16

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

### Tuesday, Sept. 17

- 6 p.m. – Weare School Board meeting
- 7 p.m. – Cable Committee meeting
- 7 p.m. – Parks and Recreation Commission meeting

### Wednesday, Sept. 18

- 7 p.m. – Master Plan Subcommittee meeting

### Thursday, Sept. 19

- 6 p.m. – Ethics Committee meeting

### Friday, Sept. 20

- 11 a.m. – Weare Area Writers Guild meeting

### Monday, Sept. 23

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

### Tuesday, Sept. 24

- 6:30 p.m. – Friends of the Weare Public Library meeting

