



# Weare in the World

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For Weare Residents, by Weare Residents



## Gallery: Back to School



*Skylynn Bishop, grade 2, at CWES (courtesy photo).*



*First-year student Berkley Newcomb displays her new JSRHS shirt. Student Services Director Dr. Andra Hall looks on (courtesy photo).*



*Superintendent Jacqueline Coe (left) honors Val Dyer of Henniker Community School. Dyer has been teaching there for 35 years and was this year's longest-serving employee of SAU 24. (courtesy photo).*

**For more school news and photos, see pages 2 & 3.**

## Town Office Launches Facebook, Page Connects to Town Website

By Tom Clow

Town Administrator Naomi Bolton has announced that the Weare Town Office has launched an official Facebook page. The site will offer yet another link to local government. It can be accessed by opening Facebook and searching "Weare Town Office" – then simply clicking on "Follow."

Although it has just been launched, a message reads: "This is the official Town of Weare Municipality page. Here you will find information about departments, upcoming alerts, and job postings." It also offers a direct link to the town website, [www.weare.nh.gov](http://www.weare.nh.gov), where residents will find a wealth of information. In our last issue, *Weare in the World's* community relations spokesperson, Sharon Czarnecki, indicated that one of our readers had asked if the newspaper could publish minutes of town board and committee meetings. She responded that our space did not allow that and offered readers another source.

People looking for the minutes of board and committee meetings will find all minutes for the last ten years on the town website. A menu item on the left-hand side of the home page provides a link to those minutes. Other menu items will link a reader to town ordinances, a town directory and other contact information, and forms. Also, with the click of a mouse, one can subscribe to the E-News mentioned in Czarnecki's article or access the new Facebook page. Take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with this valuable connection to town government.

The New Hampshire Right to Know Statute requires that a draft of meeting minutes be made available to the public within five business days of the meeting. Since Board of Selectmen meetings, for example, are usually held on a Monday, that means that minutes will be available by the following Monday. Actually, they are usually available well before that.

### "Talk" To Us



Send Recipes About:

**Soup**

W/ Picture & Story - if you have one  
[weareintheworldnews@gmail.com](mailto:weareintheworldnews@gmail.com)

**Deadline – Friday, Sept. 17**



## Back to School Gallery, continued



CWES 2nd graders Audrey Duval, Madison Whittemore and Kaleigh McElmurray (courtesy photo).



The 2021 Kindergarten Team (l to r): Paraeducator Deb Ring, paraeducator Kelly Yelle, teacher Sherri Dyer, teacher Sean Ward, teacher Kelly Bourque, teacher Kim Tucker and paraeducator Meghan Wilder. There are currently 74 students enrolled in the half-day kindergarten program in the Weare School District (courtesy photo).



CWES Assistant Principal Jacqui Cornwell (courtesy photo)



John Stark Peer Leaders and their advisor, social studies teacher Gabrielle McIver, prepared for their part of Freshman Fest Orientation held Aug. 27. Juniors and seniors at JSRHS applied to be volunteer Peer Leaders and receive ongoing training throughout the year so they may assist their peers. Above, McIver is shown with some of the Peer Leaders during training prior to opening day (courtesy photo).



During orientation, the Class of 2025 toured the building with Peer Leaders, met in their advisory group, and moved through the building following their class schedule. Lunch in the cafe was followed by each student receiving a JSRHS t-shirt. Above, first-year students Joel Douzanis and Ty Gajowski are shown listening to Peer Leaders about available assistance (courtesy photo).

### JOHN STARK REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL BOOSTERS

5th  
Annual

**Car  
Show**

The Gazebo  
at Weare Middle School  
16 East Road | Weare, NH

Sunday, September 26th

10:00AM – 2:00PM

Registration starts at 9:00AM | \$10/car



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*The John Stark Cross Country Team held a car wash in the Edmunds Hardware parking lot in Henniker on Aug. 27, to raise money for team clothing (sweatshirts, jackets or running pants) so they have some warmer items to wear over their uniform when temperatures begin to cool. The money raised is also used to cover the cost of an invitational meet and team-building activities, including the seniors' meet. Many thanks to Edmunds for the space and water. Shown in photo are Devin Patterson (with hose), Jack Barnes (red shirt), Katie Patterson (black shirt) and Amanda Leonard, who did the wheels on EVERY car. Team members not shown in this photo include Peyton Arel, Rachel Berube, Grace Caplan, Logan Confer, Joel Douzanis, Alex Keirstead, Carina Keirstead, Sam Kinsey-Turner, Izabel Korbet, Brianna Langdon, Eli Lemire, Seth Marquardt, Alana Miller, Maddie Osborne, and Alexandra Savaria. Coaches for the JSRHS Cross Country Team are Patrick Scott and Christine Anderson.*



*Students in Mr. Tanguay's 5th-grade social studies class at Center Woods Upper Elementary School learned about legends and keys in an introduction to mapping during the week. Afterward, they headed outside to hand draw maps of the playground. L-R: (in blue shirt) Austin Kehoe, Aislyn Smith, Samantha Viarengo, Avarie Briand and (back of head) Tanner Bell (courtesy photo).*

## DPW Director Updates Projects Presents New Employee for Hire

By Tom Clow

DPW Director Benjamin Knapp reported to the Weare Board of Selectman at its Aug. 30 meeting that paving operations for 2021 are about complete. Weather permitting, a top coat of asphalt was to be applied to Bogue Road and Etta Lane on Sept. 1, and that would complete the paving. Work on the shoulders is still to be done, he said.

Knapp went on to review the projects that had been completed this summer. As well as the two roads mentioned above, Thorndike from Reservoir Drive to Quaker Street also received a finish coat. All three had been reconstructed in 2020. Pine Hill, Walker Hill and Hatfield Roads were all reclaimed and rebuilt this year and received a two-inch base coat of pavement. The same was true for about 4,600 feet of River Road. In addition, the River Road project had asphalt injected into the subsoil giving it a 5- to 6-inch base plus the 2-inch base coat of asphalt.

Old Francestown Road was chip coated, as were Mountain Road and Mountain School Roads. A rubberized chip coating was used on the latter two to provide flexibility to help prevent cracks and potholes. Knapp said that, although it is double the cost of

traditional chip seal, the rubberized coating is more suitable for the heavy traffic on these roads.

Other summer work included grading and applying calcium chloride to dirt roads, as well as repairing washouts and repairing culverts. Paint lines were refreshed, and new lines applied where needed. Bridges were washed as part of regular summer maintenance.

In addition to his report on summer road work, Knapp introduced Brian Townes to be hired as a full-time Transfer Station attendant. The board approved the hiring at a starting rate of \$17 per hour, increasing to \$17.50 after a six-month probationary period. Townes was to start work on Aug. 31.



*Brian Townes, left, is welcomed by DPW Director Benji Knapp after being hired as a full-time attendant at the Transfer Station (Tom Clow photo).*



## Local Police Hold Medical/Mental Health Registration Event

### When/Where:

Wednesday, Sept. 15,  
3 - 7 p.m. Barnard Park, Goffstown

### What is a Medical/Mental Health Registration Event?

A Medical/Mental Health Registration Event allows residents to provide information regarding themselves, a family member or friend so law enforcement, dispatchers, and other first responders can be better prepared to effectively assist an individual that may be suffering from a mental health emergency or medical condition. Lock box or access instructions may also be provided. *The ultimate goal is to provide the best possible level of service!*

Information provided is kept on file and remains strictly confidential. It will be accessed only by emergency personnel who are engaged in a crisis situation. Additionally, if a juvenile is reported missing by a parent or guardian and the parent or guardian has completed registration paperwork, first responders will be aware of de-escalation techniques, triggers, stimulants, physical descriptors and the most-likely places where the juvenile may go. This will allow us to locate the juvenile faster and more efficiently. *The more we know, the better we can serve!*

Who is in charge? The event is a cooperative effort among the Weare, Goffstown, Dunbarton and New Boston police departments, in partnership with NH Easter Seals, NAMI, Visiting Angels, NH Family Voices, The Moore Center, NH Alzheimer's Association, BIANH, Home Instead, Autism Speaks, Community Bridges and Riverbend.

### Questions?

Contact Heidi Roberge, Goffstown Communications Supervisor. Heidi.Roberge@GoffstownNH.gov.

## Conservation Commission Plans Purchase Near Poor Farm Forest

By Tom Clow

The Weare Conservation Commission is planning to purchase a 20.5-acre lot adjacent to the Poor Farm Town Forest. At the Aug. 30 Board of Selectmen's meeting, Betty Straw, Chair of the Mildred Hall Committee, told the board that the committee had voted to recommend to the BOS the expenditure of \$40,000 from the Charles and Ethel Eastman Fund for the purchase of a lot owned by James and Mary County.

According to Town Administrator Naomi Bolton, that amount would equal one half the cost with the remainder coming from the Conservation Commission. In March, voters approved a warrant article that would allow the town to spend up to \$140,000 from the Town Forest Account for the purchase of new town forest land.

The Mildred Hall Committee has recommended expenditures toward several purchases of conservation land since 2006. The Weare Town Report for that year indicates that the Mildred Hall Trust contributed \$800,000 toward the purchase of more than 600 acres in North Weare, which became known as the Eastman Town Forest. That land is protected by a conservation easement administered by the Piscataquog Land Conservancy.

A public hearing will be held on Sept. 20 to accept the funds recommended for the purchase of the land adjacent to the Poor Farm Forest and for a status update on the project, according to the minutes of the Aug. 30 selectmen's meeting.

## College Graduates and Honorees

### **University of Maine**

Katilyn Brow, Ian Combs and Pheobe Slayton, dean's list, spring 2021.

### **College of Our Lady of the Elms**

Sarah Clark, bachelor's degree, criminal justice

### **University of Rhode Island**

Stacy Kenney, master's degree, speech-language pathology

### **Bryant University**

Alex Silva, dean's list, spring 2021

### **Hollins University**

Hailey Turcotte-Hallee, dean's list, spring 2021

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## Weare Public Library News



It's "STEMtember" at the library, where you can browse our new collection of dozens of educational games and kits, try them out, and take them home. A week in, and we've already had several checked-out, but you can easily place one or two on reserve by stopping by or giving us a call.

Also, Weare Library Game Nights are back on Sept. 9 (5:30 to 8 p.m.) and every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday thereafter. We'll have *Super Smash Bros. Ultimate*. And, with Halloween season coming, we're kicking off a series of spooky-themed board gaming – first by featuring *Scooby Doo's Betrayal at Mystery Mansion*. Granted, I'm not comfortable categorizing *Scooby* as "edutainment." Therefore, his game is not included in our STEMtember, but the topic of this week's review is mathy enough to fit.

Game: **Patchwork**  
 Reviewer: **Clay Kriese**  
 Game Designer: **Uwe Rosenberg**  
 My Rank: **#7**  
 Board Game Geek's Rank: **#93**  
 # of Players: **2**  
 Playtime: **30 minutes**  
 Ages: **7+**

"Never judge a book by its cover," is the old adage. Yet, every book publisher and librarian can confirm that the cover often drives the sale.

Likewise, when I'm browsing new board game releases, my eye is always drifting towards the most intriguing artwork.

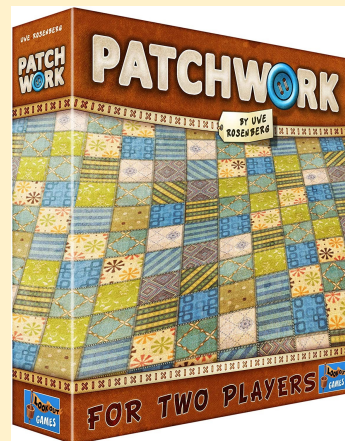
"Never judge a game by its theme," I keep repeating to myself. Within minutes, I find myself adding the latest nostalgic media tie-in, like *Goonies Never Say Die* or the

forementioned *Scooby Doo...* to the cart.

For years I passed on *Patchwork*. I blame its theme. I respect that humans hold a diverse array of cultural influences and interests. Some people like licorice and others like Jimmy Buffett. Some people are into quilting – as mundane and tedious as it seems to me.

Fortunately, *Patchwork* has nothing to do with sewing and symbology. Rather than slapping on the folk, perhaps renown designer Uwe Rosenberg should've taken a cue from games like *Blokus* and *Othello* and kept the aesthetics abstract and antiseptic.

Granted, a Russian-vibe worked well for one of *Patchwork's* closest cousins. "*Tetris*" is the first word I'd use to describe its gameplay. You'll be penalized for any blank spaces. Fit those pieces together.



But *Patchwork* adds several more twists to the generic block-placement strategy: 1. You buy patches (with buttons). 2. Each patch has a unique shape and size. 3. Some patches are more expensive than others. 4. Some patches are better investments than others (as they'll soon earn you more buttons). 5. Try to watch, anticipate, and block your opponent from his ideal purchases. 6. Since the player in the rear of the "time-track" always has the next turn, try not to be too ambitious.

Thus, the goal in *Patchwork* is to balance out these deviating factors towards, somehow, having the most currency at the end – (kind of like your life).

Another worn cliché: "A minute to learn, a lifetime to master," sums up an ideal of game design – something quick and simple to learn and to teach to our friends and children (like checkers), and, yet has enough variables to stimulate and challenge even after thousands of plays (like chess).

*Patchwork* fits into that rare sweet-spot of easy to pick-up and hard to put down – a puzzle you'll always want to solve and win. That is why it's the best abstract game of all time.

### Save the Date

Local author Marge Burke will be speaking at the Weare Public Library on Thursday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. about her latest book, *When Will Someday Come*. This book is a collection of thoughts on caregiving, grieving and living.



Don Melander leads a poetry discussion at the Henniker gravesite of poet Joel Oppenheimer, who taught at New England College (courtesy photo).

## LINEC Fall Classes Announced

By Chris Hague

LINEC, the Learning Institute of New England College, returns in October with peer-led, six-week courses for seniors and others -- without the quiz at the end! (Pricing at \$15 per course is very reasonable.) Online presentations make informal learning as easy and safe as a few clicks on a computer.

- Dick Hesse and Mary Lee Sargent will offer **"America's Founding Fathers,"** a look at the real story of how the Constitution was created and the balance between power and liberty that's still going on.
- **"Great Composers"** uses Michael Tilson Thomas' *Keeping Score* to present the lives and works of composers Tchaikovsky, Mahler, Stravinsky and Shostakovich, with Fran Philippe leading discussion following each presentation.
- The historical origins of today's China, the establishment of the People's Republic of China in 1949, and the country's current challenges and ambitions as an emergent superpower are the subject of **"Understanding Today's China,"** led by Elliot Berry.
- NEC biology professor Eric Simon introduces the lay person to biology as a scientific discipline, through current topics in biology such as cancer, nutrition, performance enhancing drugs and DNA profiling. **"Biology and Society"** requires no prior knowledge, only curiosity.
- **"Russia from Czars to Commissars (and Back?)"** reviews Russian history up to Putin's reign, with emphasis on Russia's international relations.
- **"The World's Greatest Geological Wonders: 36 Spectacular Sites,"** led by Paul Hague, draws on Great Courses lectures by a leader in seismology and geophysical education, Dr. Michael Wyssession. Each

week presents an amazing geological wonder and followup discussion.

- Retired NEC professor Don Melander will lead **"The Beat Poets: Kerouac, Ginsberg, Corso and diPrima."** Anyone is welcome to join the discussion, with or without prior knowledge of these poets.
- Melander also leads a film discussion on Fridays, **"Classic Noir Films of the 1940s."** Participants watch films at their convenience in preparation for an animated discussion at each session.
- A monthly book discussion, **"The American Novel,"** led by John McCausland will read *On the Road* by Jack Kerouac. Faulkner's *The Sound and the Fury* will be the November title.

Membership forms and course information are available at [www.linec.org](http://www.linec.org) or by request at [linecregister@gmail.com](mailto:linecregister@gmail.com). A \$40 annual membership fee includes borrowing privileges at NEC's Danforth Library. Registration is only \$15 per course and is open through Sept. 20.

## Obituary



Hope Gardener Daniels Collins, age 76, of Weare, NH, passed away peacefully in her sleep Thursday, July 1, 2021. She is survived by her siblings, Robert Daniels, Lee Hodgins, and Beth Nichols; her children, Matthew Collins and Andrea Collins Marquis; nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

She grew up in West Newton, MA, and after marrying Jesse Collins, travelled around the country raising Matthew and Andrea as a Navy wife. She was an arts and crafts wizard, and could crochet, quilt, knit, tailor, tie, or sew anything that could be made by hand with rope, string, thread, or cloth. In her mid-40's she graduated from UNH and followed her passion for helping children as a Speech Pathologist in the New Hampshire school system.

After retirement, Hope enjoyed volunteering her time in the local elementary schools and at the New Life Thrift Shop, spending time with friends, or enjoying time with her extended family. Her favorite pastime by far was the time she spent doting on her grandchildren. She was deeply loved and will be greatly missed.

Services will be private, in lieu of flowers please consider donating to Weare Friends PTO. ([paypal.me/WeareFriendsPTO](https://paypal.me/WeareFriendsPTO)).



## Board Approves Scout Project, Ben's Bee Hotel Behind Library

By Tom Clow

So, what does it cost to stay at a bee hotel? Perhaps a nibble of a Krispy Kreme Donut. Ben Hallee, Life Eagle Scout, Troop 24, will be financing the project he presented to the Weare Board of Selectmen for its approval on Aug. 30, through the sale of Krispy Kreme Donuts and donations. The board unanimously approved Ben's Bee Hotel. No donuts exchanged hands.

The hotel, which will be located on the library grounds, will stand about five feet tall and will be four feet wide and one foot deep. The plan that Hallee presented to the selectmen pictured a house-shaped structure divided into multiple sections, with each section filled with cross sections of logs and other pieces of wood of varying sizes. Each piece of wood was drilled with dozens of holes – apparently hotel rooms for the bees.

Hallee said that the exact location for the hotel has not been determined, but perhaps behind the library building, uninterrupted by people. When asked about upkeep, he said he plans to redrill the holes in the logs every two years to remove debris. Guest bees at the hotel are actually expected to pay for their keep by helping with pollination within a 300-foot radius of the facility.



*Ben Hallee of Scout Troop 24 presents his Eagle Scout project of a bee hotel to the Weare Board of Selectmen (Tom Clow photo).*



## Wine Tasting at Country 3 Corners

Friday, Sept. 24

5 - 7 p.m. (in the hardware store)

833 S. Stark Highway 603-529-7539 X 4

[lfiala@country3corners.com](mailto:lfiala@country3corners.com)

## SENIORS

### News from Senior Café

By Peggy Bailey

As many of you are aware, the Senior Café is currently looking for a permanent Head Chef. In the meantime, we are fortunate to have Mary Thomas filling in. She is doing a fantastic job and has great reviews from those who are joining us each Wednesday. We have served upwards of 40 people, weekly, in the month of August.

Just call ahead to 603-529-4263 and let us know if you would like to dine in, pick-up or have us deliver to your door. Visit our Facebook page for the latest news: <https://www.facebook.com/Hand.in.Hand03281/>

The Senior Center is also available for your pleasure whenever the Thrift Shoppe is open. Hours are Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We have complimentary drinks and WiFi. There are board games, cribbage boards and cards for games, plenty of poker chips, puzzles etc.

Are you interested in hosting a painting party? How about a craft class? Meetings for your groups? Central location! Days and evenings are available. Please give us a call at 603-529-4263.

### Senior Food Bank

By Peggy Bailey

The Senior Food Bank is in need of several items:

- Pancake/waffle mix
- Peanut Butter
- Jellies
- Ketchup
- Mayo
- Powdered Milk
- Cereal
- Rice A Roni
- Homestyle mashed potatoes
- Cookie and brownie pouches
- Canned chicken or canned tuna in water
- Toothpaste and mouthwash

Items can be dropped at the Thrift Store on Wednesday or Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. or Friday 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Thank you for your support.

For more information see our website at: <https://www.facebook.com/1865356440243757/posts/4060320504080662/>



## Ya Never Know Thrift Shoppe

For the month of September, the Thrift Shoppe is having a sale on all clothing (except Lula Roe) for \$1 per piece. Thursdays are 50% off storewide!

The Thrift Shoppe proceeds benefit the Breaking Bread Senior Café/Center, Senior Food Bank and any overhead for Hand In Hand Ministries, Inc.

Hours are Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m..

For more information, find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/ThriftyShopper03281>.

## Osborne Memorial Hall Indoor Yard Sale to Be Held Rain or Shine



**Sept. 11, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** 16 Deering Ctr. Rd. (Rte. 149), Weare. Masks recommended.

Furniture, toys, matchbox and NASCAR collectibles, kitchenware, books and a other odds and ends

Sponsored by the nonprofit South Weare Improvement Society. Proceeds to benefit the maintenance and restoration of Osborne Memorial Hall.

To rent the hall for your event or participate in Weare Flags Fly, call 603-529-7282.



*Flags were placed in the town center following the deaths of 13 American soldiers on Aug. 26 in Afghanistan (Alyssa Small photo).*



## Fall Is for House Plants

By Anne Wirkkala

The plants pictured above need a new home for the winter!

Not only is the Weare Garden Club featuring house plants at their fall sale, but it is also time to bring your summer vacationing plants inside for the winter season. Adding house plants to your home helps to bring a touch of nature indoors, which is especially helpful when you're stuck inside due to weather, travel restrictions or poor health. The right house plants brighten up living spaces by adding a decorative element. Even better, some indoor plants have special qualities that benefit their owners. They help remove toxic chemicals from inside air and produce a lot of oxygen at night.

Here are a few that are easy to care for and easy to propagate. You should be able to find them all at our upcoming plant sale.

### 1. Spider Plants

Spider plants are a popular house plant because they're easy to grow and tough to kill. They thrive in low-light areas of homes and can survive even with infrequent watering. They also have a positive impact on air quality. Spider plants help remove harmful pollutants such as formaldehyde and benzene from the air. Sources of formaldehyde in a home include construction materials and carpet. You can find benzene in furniture polish and laundry detergents. Consider adding one or two spider plants to your bedroom or other highly frequented room to help clear the air.

### 2. Mother-In-Law's Tongue/Snake Plant

Mother-in-law's tongue, also known as a snake plant, has a distinctive shapely and sharp leaf. It also helps remove toxins from the air, making it another good choice for a house plant for often-used rooms. Like the spider plant, mother-in-law's tongue is easy to care for and requires little light. This plant releases oxygen into the air, and it also helps purify the air by removing four common household pollutants: formaldehyde, benzene, trichloroethylene and carbon monoxide.

### 3. Peace Lily

With its dark foliage and white tubular flowers, the peace lily offers a dramatic focal point for any room, but it's also a hard worker when it comes to improving air quality. With a pretty floral scent, the peace lily helps absorb commonly found household pollutants, such as

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ammonia and formaldehyde. In addition, the peace lily can help purify household air polluted by trichloroethylene and xylene. These pollutants occur in many household cleaners, glue, polishes, waxes and construction material, and they may negatively impact your respiratory and immune system.

**4. Aloe Vera**

Perhaps one of the most recognizable house plants, aloe vera contains a soothing gel within its fleshy leaves that has long been used to treat burns. Add one to your kitchen windowsill. One of the benefits of aloe vera is that it is easy to use. Simply break off a small section of the leaf and apply the healing gel directly to sunburns, cooking burns or skin irritations. But take note: aloe vera leaves are poisonous if ingested!

**5. Ivy**

Do you live in a damp or humid area? If so, consider adding a few pots of English ivy to your home. This trailing (or climbing) vine suits a wide variety of décor and styles because it stays green all year — indoors and outdoors too, (temperature permitting). Even better, it helps prevent mold development indoors. Mold might contribute to lung and respiratory issues. English ivy is poisonous if ingested so keep this in mind if you have small children, grandchildren or pets.

**6. Boston Fern**

If you battle constant humidity in your home, consider the good old-fashioned Boston fern. With its easy to recognize leaves and fan-shaped foliage, the Boston fern is a powerhouse as it absorbs harmful gases through its leaves and roots. This is another plant that does well indoors and out. It is especially happy in bathrooms or kitchens.

**7. Philodendron**

For generations, these tropical vining plants have served as a mainstay in interior gardens. Philodendron care is easy because if you watch for the signals, the plant will tell you exactly what it needs. (Yellow leaves? Too much sun. Slightly wilted leaves? Needs more water). Even inexperienced house plant owners will have no trouble growing philodendrons because they adapt readily to conditions inside any home. Philodendrons thrive indoors year-round without complaint, but they enjoy an occasional stay outdoors in a shady spot when the weather permits. Philodendrons are common house plants that are also known to remove harmful chemicals from the air, especially formaldehyde.

**8. Pothos/Devil's Ivy**

Not to be confused with philodendrons, as both are vining plants with green or variegated green leaves. Pothos have a grooved stem and its leaves do not emerge from a leaf sheath as do those of the philodendron. Pothos can also tolerate lower light and thrive in a warmer environment. It is also mildly

poisonous, especially to pets. These plants enjoy a wide range of environments. They do well in bright, indirect sunlight.

**Weare Garden Club Plant Sale**

The sale started last Saturday at 183 East Road, but there are still some plants left (see above.) The sale will continue daily until all the plants find new homes. After all, the Weare Garden Club is a “no kill shelter.” 😊

All proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund.

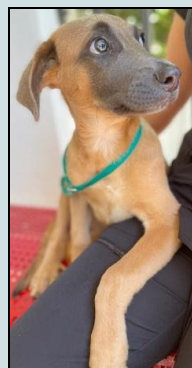
**Lookin' for Love**

By Cathy Bailey

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



Meet Madison! Female, Lab/ Greyhound mix. Friendly, affectionate, gentle, playful and loves kisses. Smart; timid at first; short coat; house trained; vaccinations up to date; spayed; good with other dogs, cats and children. Six months old; weighs 26 pounds; microchipped. She loves to go for walks and is good on a leash. Adoption fee: \$600.



Meet Mary Jane, sister of Madison! Female, Lab/ Greyhound mix. Friendly, gentle, playful, smart, loves kisses, affectionate and timid at first. Short coat, house trained, vaccinations up to date, spayed. Good with other dogs, cats and children. Six months old, weighs 26 pounds, microchipped. She loves to go for walks and is good on a leash. Adoption fee: \$600.

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



## Asked and Answered: Grandparents



### The Smallest of Things

By Debbie Farr

The smallest of things can trigger a memory. That's what happened to me recently when I was getting ready to go to my husband's family reunion. As I was packing, a button popped off one of my blouses. Dang. Now I had to take the time to sew it back on. But in the process, I recalled a game my grandparents used to play with my brother, sister and I and any other relative who was around.

When I was little, my grandparents taught us a game called "Button, button, who's got the button?" It was a simple game; whoever was "it" would leave the room and count to 20. Then, one of the players in the room would hide a button in their fist. When the person came back into the room, everyone would hold out their clenched fists to let the person who was "it" try to find the button. I smiled as I recalled how my grandmother would chuckle every game, regardless of whether she had the button, and how my grandfather would try to tease us into choosing one of his hands.

I finished sewing the button on my blouse but grabbed an extra-large button from my stash and slid it into my pant's pocket. One evening, as my niece and nephew were trying to find something entertaining to do, I pulled the button out of my pocket. I told them about my memories of my grandparents playing a game with me when I was their age. I explained the rules to them and off we went. We played for a full hour, not even realizing it was past their bedtime. They didn't want to stop!

The smallest of things can trigger a wonderful memory about grandparents and how their connection with us adds so much to our life but can also carry on to the next generation. Thanks, Gramma and Grampa!



## Asked and Answered: Back to School as a Kid

### Back to School at Mattanawcook Academy in Lincoln, Maine 1941

By Sharon Czarnecki

Times have sure changed. Some things for the worse. It seems more stressful, more hurried, hyper paced. But some things are better, like medical care, infrastructure, staying in touch, caring networks. And some things are definitely more complicated.



Now, it is important to acknowledge that what seemed like simple fun at the time, may have been unknowingly hurtful to others. But indeed, things were different. So, with no malice intended then, or now; let's talk about "back to school" in 1941.

My dad – Al (Buddy) Weatherbee was a freshman that year, so going back to school took on a whole new meaning. Freshman orientation at the school lasted a whole week. During that time, the Seniors pretty much owned the Freshmen and concocted daily activities designed for good-natured fun. The activities had to have faculty approval so that none of them would "get out of hand." The week started with "opposite dressing" day, where boys dressed as girls and vice versa. Prizes were given for most attractive and most creative. My father, on the left in the picture above, had his sister draw black lines up the backs of his legs to simulate nylon stockings. Clearly he was going for best looking. Of course, as you can see, he had some significant competition from his friend Sherwood Chandler, who found a wig with long blonde finger curls. Other tasks for the week included carrying books for the seniors, leaving a bug in a jar on a teacher's desk, wearing mismatched socks, etc.

The highlight of the week was the Friday assembly, which included awards for the week's activities and a talent show put on by incoming freshmen. My dad says he recalls to this day how very gifted some of his fellow  
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students were – dancers, musicians and singers who never had the chance to develop their talents since life in small town America just before WWII intervened. He particularly recalls Elaine Smart playing the best boogey piano he ever heard in his whole life. Other members of the band included Harvey Whitten on drums and George Noyes on saxophone.

Of course, this particular assembly was most memorable for how it started. Everyone was seated and there was an expectant hush as they waited for speakers to begin. Suddenly, there was screaming and girls jumping up onto chairs and higher levels of the bleachers in the first few rows. It turns out some of the seniors had smuggled mice into the gym and let them go “to liven things up a bit.” It was established pretty quickly that a prank of *that* nature was NOT faculty approved!

**First Grade 1935**

*War is imminent, the state department says  
My neighbor fears the thought of germ warfare  
Her soldier son is being vaccinated against smallpox*

*I walk out today in the new, clean snow  
Trying to recall my own vaccination  
That long, long word I learned to spell  
The scar now, all but invisible on my leg  
Or was it on my arm?*

*And then I remembered a fall, summer-like day  
A loud, urgent sound near the open window  
My little brother, his brown elbows resting on the sill  
Watched the schoolhouse driver leaning on the horn*

*My mother hastily pulling up my underpants  
Up over my thin legs, under my new dress  
How clearly I see that vaccination scab  
Scraped off and falling on the floor  
It lay there looming large and frightening  
In the midst of first-day-of-school excitement*

*And now, nearly 70 years later, I walk in the snow  
Schools are closed today; the buses silent  
I think about the children in Iraq  
Do they have school on the days  
When bombs fall from the sky?*

-JeanLoretta

**A True Fish Story**

By Jeanne Bartlett

Somewhere along the Contoocook river, or in the Henniker ponds, or even in your garden or your backyard - you should be on the lookout for a large snapping turtle trailing a fishing line with a fluorescent bobber.

Seven-year-old Gabriel Leflem (my great-grandson) was fishing from the NEC covered bridge with his Nana last week, when suddenly his pole bent in two and he pulled up a turtle “the size of our bathroom sink! “ Gabe could not land the turtle, his fish line was too light, so it had to be cut and the snapping turtle headed off flying an orange and yellow bobber.

**Mist**

Air and water temperatures  
collide over the wetlands,  
mist spirals upwards like  
dancing ghosts, reaching above  
the tree tops, an eerie sight  
early in the morning.

-Marge Burke

**Goldenrod**

Tall, fluffy flower spikes  
of golden color have  
claimed a corner of the  
once vegetable garden,  
goldenrod is its name,  
weed or flower the  
ongoing debate as  
it asserts ownership  
over more space every year.

-Marge Burke



**Many Hands Make **LIGHT** Work**

## **Volunteers Needed!**

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4:15 p.m. – Trustees of the Trust Funds Meeting

7 p.m. – Conservation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. – Weare Democrats Meeting

**Thursday, Sept. 9**

7 p.m. – Planning Board Meeting

**Saturday, Sept. 11**

9-11 a.m. - Supervisors of the Checklist Session

**Monday, Sept. 13**

6 p.m. – Board of Firewards Meeting

**Tuesday, Sept. 14**

5 p.m. – Cemetery Trustees Meeting

7 p.m. – Parks and Recreation Meeting

**Monday, Sept. 20**

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

**Tuesday, Sept. 21**

7 p.m. – Cable Committee Meeting

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