



Weare in the World

For Weare Residents, By Weare Residents

July 27, 2022



August 2, 2022

National Night Out

Who: Weare Police Department, plus mutual aid partners from Dunbarton, New Boston and Goffstown

Where: Goffstown High School parking lot

When: 5 - 8 p.m.

What's Happening: Lots of family-friendly activities! Cornhole tournament, cupcake baking contest, rock wall, live music with a d.j., a petting zoo, comedy show, magic show, dunk tanks), food vendors, an ice cream truck and booths for many community organizations.

More info: This event is free! For more information:

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

For questions: b.montplaisir@wearepolice.com



The Grand Drape is the front curtain on the stage at Osborne Hall. It is down while performers are preparing and raised when the show begins. Curtain going up! (Tom Clow photo).

Restoration of Stage Curtains at Osborne Hall Complete

By Tom Clow

Sometimes it takes a long time for a dream to come true or a long-sought project to come to fruition. Fifteen years ago, Christine Hadsel, Director of Curtains Without Borders, visited Osborne Hall in South Weare. The visit was part of a trip that also took her to other Grange halls, opera houses and town halls in the area, all of which held priceless works of art in the form of hand-painted stage curtains, many in disrepair, as was the case with the curtains at Osborne Hall.

On July 18, Hadsel again visited Osborne Hall, this time to begin a three-day project that would restore the stage curtains to their original beauty. On a recent evening, as part of a presentation to a small group gathered at the See CURTAINS, page 2



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Aug 9 is Book Lovers Day

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hall, she unveiled the restored works of art and also shared pictures of other restoration projects her group has completed. According to Rad Betts, President of the South Weare Improvement Society, which owns and operates Osborne Hall, the restoration was made possible through a major donation, which also paid for upgrading the building's security system.

The three hand-painted curtains can best be described as murals, two of which can be unrolled to be raised or lowered. The third is permanently attached to the back wall of the stage and shows an idyllic scene that many believe depicts Mt. William Pond. A curtain in front of that, when



This curtain on the Osborne Hall stage can be rolled down to depict a street scene. The advertising on the buildings is for real. The artist sold ad space to area businesses to help pay for the project (Tom Clow photo).

lowered, shows a street scene with buildings covered with advertising. Hadsel said that the artist would sell the advertising spaces on street scenes to local businesses to help finance a project. The front curtain, which, when lowered, separates performers from the audience, is known as the "Grand Drape" and has a central framed scene with paintings of drapes on both sides of it.

The era for hand-painted curtains in New England stretched from about 1880 to 1940, Hadsel said. The curtains in Osborne Hall were painted in 1935. The artist was Arthur Ives from Plymouth, N.H. Ives was a sign painter, who turned to painting curtains, and then went back to painting signs.

Curtains Without Borders is located in Burlington, Vermont. Hadsel said that they have completed the restoration of most of the curtains in Vermont and are now working mostly in New Hampshire and Maine.

Osborne Hall can be rented for special occasions by contacting Betts at (603) 529-7282. The South Weare Improvement Society also holds regular Bingo games at the hall as a fundraiser for the upkeep of the building. The group is also the sponsor of the "Weare Flags Fly" program that places flags in holders around the town on special days throughout the year.

For a history of the South Weare Improvement Society and Osborne Hall, go to the Town of Weare website at

www.weare.nh.gov. Under "announcements" on the homepage, click "view all," then "page 3;" you will find a link to South Weare Improvement Society.



The rear curtain, permanently attached to the wall at the back of the stage at Osborne Hall, depicts an idyllic scene that some believe is a view of Mt. William Pond (Tom Clow photo).

College Graduates and Honorees

Dean's List, Spring 2022

Casey Henry; **Cedarville University**
 Jeffrey Johnson; **Coastal Carolina University**
 Jaimason Lacasse; **DeSales University**
 Hailey Turcotte-Hallee; **Hollins University**
 Glen Spooner; **Husson University**

Plymouth State University

Ryan Konrad
 Lillian Stogner
 Samuel Porter

University of New Hampshire

Mia Paveglio
 Nathan Chasse
 Anna Ishak
 Charles Wetherbee
 Molly Leuci
 Carson Woodward
 Lauren Guerrette
 Joyce LaBrecque
 Nicholas Weidman
 Olivia Dane
 Sara Spooner
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Upcoming Events

Wednesday, July 27 at 2:30 p.m.: Across Oceans: Gyotaku Fish Printing Learn about the art of gyotaku (fish printing), and make your own on a fabric bag as we explore the art, culture, and history of Japan. Recommended for grades 5+.

Thursday, July 28 at 12:30 p.m.: Cook Book Club Sign up for the club at the front desk. Pick a recipe from "Cook This Book" by Molly Baz and join us in the Sawyer Room for a fun lunch.

Thursday, July 28 at 6:30 p.m.: Summer Reading Finale: Touch-A-Truck: Kids, time to turn in your reading logs, and then get up close and personal with trucks like giant snow plows! This is your chance to meet some of the incredible vehicles that make our town work.

Thank you to these summer reading program sponsors: Altitude Trampoline Park, Dimitri's Pizza, Dunkin', Fisher Cats Baseball, Greaney's Farm Stand & Creamery, Harmony Masonic Lodge #38 of Hillsborough, Subway, The Sweet Spot, TD Bank, Zoomie's Corner Market and the Friends of the Weare Library!

SENIOR NEWS

News From Senior Café

By Mary Thomas and Sue Canella

Menu:

July 27: BBQ pulled pork sandwiches

Aug. 3: BBQ franks and beans and savory roasted potatoes

Aug .10: Sticky chicken and rice

Dessert, coffee, tea and hot chocolate included. Fruit may also be added. Affordable lunch for all (donation of your choice) FREE for any local area seniors age 60+.

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

Dine in (there is room for 35 guests - masks currently NOT required) or take out. Delivery is free for any senior who has no transportation.

Call ahead to 603-529-4263 and leave your name, telephone number and how many plates. It is first come, first served.

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Ya Never Know Thrift Shoppe

By Melody Beauregard

Our **CHRISTMAS IN JULY SALE** ends on July 31. Come on in and get 25% off all holiday items.

August is children's month at the Shoppe, with games, toys, lunch boxes and backpacks on sale at 50% off. All children's clothing is \$2.

We now have punch cards! Earn additional savings every time you shop when you fill up one of our cards.

We are always looking for volunteers in the shoppe and to help with cleaning. We offer flexible hours and 30% off all purchases. What a great way to help out the community and have fun at the same time!

Donations can be placed in the orange bin out front, or you can drop off during business hours: Tuesday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. 33 North Stark Highway, 603-529-4263. You can also find us on Facebook. Like and share: <https://www.facebook.com/ThriftyShopper03281>

Tips for Caregivers

By Marge Burke

"Caregiver Connection: A Virtual Caregiver Support Group" is a program offered by the Granite VNA in Concord. It is an opportunity for family caregivers to support one another and connect with staff professionals. The program provides a safe place to connect with other caregivers facing similar challenges. For further information about this valuable program and register for an event call (603) 224-4093 ext. 85815. Technical support is available if help is needed to participate in the group.

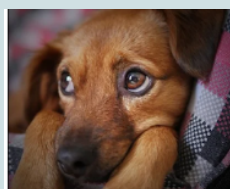


Sept 10th: 9am to 1pm

33 North Stark Hwy Weare, NH

for more information call (603) 529-4263

Still a few vendor spots open. Call to reserve yours.



Looking for Something to Do?

By Sharon Czarnecki



Zinnia & Birch
 "Make & Take" wood flower board.
 Dates for August TBD.
 See website for details:
<https://zinniaandbirch.com>

New Boston Concert Series

North River Music

Aug. 9,
 6-7:30 p.m.

See website for details:
www.newbostonnh.gov/recreation/pages/concert-common



Henniker Concert Series

Not Fade Away
 Aug. 2
 6 - 7:30 p.m.



Queen City Soul
 Aug. 9
 6-7:30 p.m.

See website for details:
www.facebook.com/HennikerConcert



Asked and Answered: Parents

(National Parents Day is July 24).

Self Compassion

By Debbie Farr, Ph.D.

July 24 was Parents Day; yay for parents! We all know parenting is difficult and most of us struggle with some level of guilt about whether we're doing all we can for our kids.

In my book, "E.N.R.I.C.H. Your Relationship With Your Child," I wrote a section on self-compassion. Yup - having compassion for yourself. Society can be pretty hard on us parents; it can often feel like there is no room for error. No mistakes allowed.

Not true, and actually not healthy or good modeling. Our children will make mistakes. That's literally their job - to learn what works and what doesn't. If we are too hard on ourselves, it may model for our children that they aren't allowed to make mistakes either. And stressing over things we're doing or not doing can make us anxious and short-tempered. Not helpful either.

I'm not saying parents shouldn't try hard to do their best in raising kids. Being a parent is, after all, the MOST important job you'll ever have! Of course, we want to get it right. But when you make mistakes and yell when you really didn't want to or when you forget a soccer practice or scouting event, try to take it in stride. Explain to your child everyone makes mistakes and that you are sorry. Then analyze what you can try differently next time. In fact, sometimes (depending on age), kids can help with that analysis.

Bottom line, don't forget to show yourself some kindness, just like you might show others. You count! Kristin Neff is a guru, of sorts, on self-compassion (<https://self-compassion.org>) and she says, "Instead of mercilessly judging and criticizing yourself for various inadequacies or shortcomings, self-compassion means you are kind and understanding when confronted with personal failings - after all, who ever said you were supposed to be perfect?" That certainly applies to parenting. No parent can be perfect. The trick is to remind yourself of the good things you do as a parent and then work on those things you think may need tweaking.

So, at this Parents Day time, give yourself a break and have a little self-compassion. Make a list of the things you think you do well. In fact, ask your kids what they think you do well. You might be pleasantly surprised!

Gramma Mary and Her Circus Man

By Tom Clow

Mary Quimby walked the neighborhood dressed in a long black coat. She wore a black hat and pushed a black baby carriage. Her husband Chauncey walked by her side. The carriage was filled with doilies and knitted items that she sold door to door. Mary Quimby was my grandmother who never spoke to me. Her husband Chauncey, on the other hand, was bubbly and talkative. He stood about five feet six inches tall, had tight curly gray hair and was covered with tattoos from head to toe. He claimed to have been the tattoo man in a circus, which was probably true, because in the 1950's, expansive body tattoos were not the norm.

If I had been older, I probably would have been embarrassed having my grandmother walk around pushing a baby carriage full of mittens and doilies, not to mention having a little tattooed man walking beside her. But since she never spoke to me or my brothers, and I never thought much about her as a grandmother – except in name only – her strange presence was pretty much a non-issue.

Chauncey, who in our colloquial speech we called Chancy, which may have best described his risk in marrying my grandmother, was Mary's fourth husband. She found him somewhere after leaving husband number three, my grandfather Everett Blanchard, who remained on the farm where my mother was born in Washington, N.H. Mary and Chauncey lived in a little tarpaper-covered camp about a mile from our house on the Cornish Town Line.

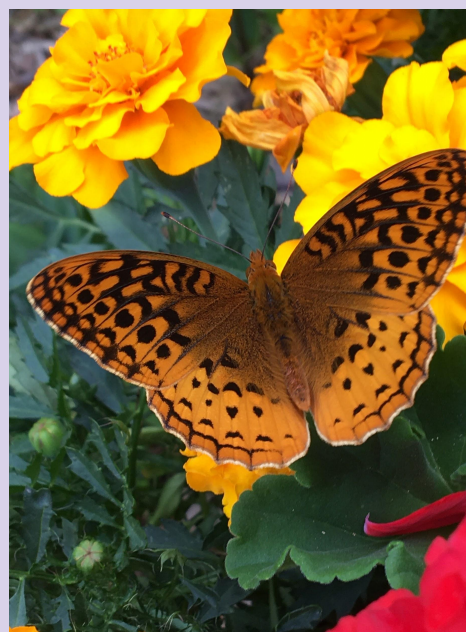
My older sister Virginia later wrote in some family notes, "Gram was a very strange woman – very cold. She never paid any attention to us kids. I cannot remember her ever speaking to me, so a hug or a kiss was certainly out of the question." So, to me, my grandmother was a faceless lady in black, who walked by our house pushing a baby carriage or sat in her tarpaper camp knitting and crocheting by the light of a kerosene lamp. Of course, I never saw the inside of her camp. Nor do I know how she came to live just a mile from her daughter Nellie, for whom she had shown little affection as a child. Perhaps there's an invisible bond between mother and child that stretches over all the rifts of years or emotional neglect, because Nellie did not turn away from her mile-away mother.

On a summer evening, Momma would gather up her four boys, and later her baby girl, and we would walk the mile to Gramma's house. My mother would go inside alone, or later with baby Muriel Ann, while we boys were left outside. But we had Chauncey to lead us on adventures. Down back among some trees, away

from the camp, was a small storage shed. The shed was painted with bright red corner boards and a sky-blue door. The sides of the path that led from the door of the camp to the shed were lined with rocks that were painted a variety of colors. Chauncey led us to the shed and unlocked the door.

"Do you know any tricks?" he asked. "You know there are enough of you so we could put together a circus act." At that, we started doing cartwheels and tumbles across the grass. Chauncey clapped his hands and told us how talented we were and that we were no doubt born for the Big Top. He stretched out a rope on the ground and had us each walk it. He said that if we could keep our balance on the ground rope, with a little practice, we would have no trouble on the high wire. Then he led us to the shed and passed out old pots and pans and a barrel cover along with sticks of kindling wood.

"We can't have a circus without a circus parade," he said. So, he led the parade, raising his knees high in an exaggerated step, as my three brothers and I marched along behind imitating his gait, as we banged away on our pots and pans. We marched, and we practiced, and we dreamed until the sun started to set, and Momma emerged from the cabin, ending the visit with her mother to start the mile-long walk home. Momma never said much on the walk home – never mentioned what she had talked about on her visit. My brothers and I, on the other hand, marched and tumbled and lived in the circus world until we reached our little house on the Cornish Town Line.



Beauty in the backyard (Shirley Waite photo)

It always changes!

We were *mature* when our first one was born.
We're set. We've got this. So Let's bring it on.
We read every book and bought all the stuff..
And just like we thought, it wasn't so rough.

She knew the rules and things were just great.
Building a family. We just couldn't wait!
She was so easy. She cooed and she smiled.
She needs a sibling. Let's have one more child!

He wasn't the same. The rules didn't help!
Try this and try that and still this one yelps.
It starts right away, with colic and pain.
I'll tell you right now, not close to the same.

She understands just how smart we both are.
He's not so sure - tests the limits real far.
This pattern held every step of the way.
It all falls in place. It turns out OK.

It's all so worth it and there's no regrets.
No kids are the same. You'll have to accept.
You'll learn as you go, and find it worthwhile
Find your own pattern and parenting style.

Until everything changes – AGAIN.

-Sharon Czarnecki

The Volunteer

From under the stone wall,
up through driveway crack,
lone gooseneck loosestrife
bursts forth, volunteer from
afar garden, white blooms,
feathery, delicate,
stands out by itself, not
in abundance of afar.

-Marge Burke



Gooseneck loosestrife (Marge Burke photo).

A Holy Mess

Lined up on the counter
half pints in the front row
one pint and other halves
in the back row, while
pouring the last ladle
into the last jar, I
bumped the larger jar,
it tipped over, spilling
a cooling pint of
blueberry jam, indeed,
a holy mess, aka
kitchen disaster

-Marge Burke



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Volunteers Needed!

(These are NOT paid positions.)

Ian Camp – MECHANICAL ENGINEERING HELP NEEDED

I have been working on an invention for over three years and have run across a particular problem that could use the engineering perspective. If you can help, please respond to fanumsymbolilina@yahoo.com.

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Volunteers are needed right now in order to help make the Sept. 10 craft fair happen. Please let us know if you can help as a raffle table manager or parking lot helper. Please call 603-529-4263.



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Mark Your Calendar

Thursday, July 28

7 p.m. – Planning Board meeting

Monday, Aug. 1

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

Tuesday, Aug. 2

7 p.m. – Weare Garden Club meeting

7:30 p.m. – Zoning Board meeting

Wednesday, Aug. 3

6 p.m. – Mildred Hall Advisory Committee meeting

Thursday, Aug. 4

6:30 p.m. – John Stark School Board meeting

7 p.m. – Public Library Trustees meeting

Friday, Aug. 5

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

Monday, Aug. 8

6 p.m. – Board of Firewards meeting

Tuesday, Aug. 9

5 p.m. – Cemetery Trustees meeting

7 p.m. – Park & Recreation meeting

Wednesday, Aug. 10

4:15 p.m. – Trustees of the Trust Fund meeting

6 p.m. – Weare School Board meeting

7 p.m. – Conservation Commission meeting

7 p.m. – Weare Democrats meeting

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