

Weare in the World

Weare Residents, By Weare Residents
August 14, 2024



School News



First Day: Tuesday, Aug. 27

School Start Times

In the spring, SAU 24 shared that school start and end times would be changing for the elementary and middle schools in Weare and Henniker. These changes will have a positive impact on the amount of instructional time during the day and create the opportunity to set a predictable end of school. Adding time to each school day will allow us to set a firm date for the last day of school that we will not go past. Specifically, the last day of school for the 2024-25 school year is Tuesday, June 17, if we have no snow days, and we can say affirmatively that we will not go past Thursday, June 19 regardless of how many snow days we actually have.

Families will receive additional details from the school principals about when student drop off can begin in the morning. (Note: We were unable to adjust the start time for WMS and had to move up the start time for HCS. This is mostly due to how the shared buses operate between the schools. Future conversations about school start/end times will look at moving those times to allow for a later start time.)

-Jacqueline Coe, Superintendent

School	Start time	End time
WMS	7:20 a.m.	2:10 p.m.
CWES	8:30 a.m.	3:05 p.m.
HCS	7:45 a.m.	2:20 p.m.
JSRHS	8:15 a.m.	3 p.m.

For questions or feedback about these changes, please reach out to Assistant Superintendent Natasha Kolehmainen at natasha.kolehmainen@sau24.org.

Funds Approved for Headstone Repairs in East Road Cemetery

By Tom Clow

Dozens of headstones have been damaged and/or



displaced at Center Square Cemetery on East Road due to years of neglect. According to former Weare Selectwoman Sherry Burdick, who is heading an effort to correct this wrong, the total number of damaged monuments is 163. That number

comes from a company she contacted to survey the damage and estimate the cost of repairs.

Following a public hearing on July 22, which had been continued from July 8, the Weare Board of Selectmen approved the expenditure of \$35,092 from the Charles and Ethel Eastman Fund for repairs to the headstones. This was the amount of the estimate Burdick had gotten from the company that surveyed the damage.

Burdick had approached the Mildred Hall Committee, which oversees the Eastman Fund, to request funds for the project. Betty Straw, chair of that committee, appeared before the BOS on July 8 to report that her committee had approved the funds, but with the restriction that the Cy Pres funds approved by voters in March must be used first. The board asked Straw to have the Mildred Hall Committee remove that restriction because the money approved in March was needed for other work within the cemeteries, including the removal of trees in the Pine Grove Cemetery on Buzzell Hill Road.

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"Talk" To Us
Inspiring Photos
Deadline: Aug. 23
weareintheworldnews@
gmail.com

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When the public hearing was continued on July 22, Burdick reported that the Mildred Hall Committee had removed the restriction of spending the Cy Pres money first, and the BOS accepted the \$35,090 as indicated above. The BOS purchasing policy requires three bids on a project of this amount. A request for proposals (RFP) for the work in Center Square Cemetery is posted on the homepage of the town website www.weare.nh.gov.

New ZBA Members Appointed

In other business at the July 22 BOS meeting, the board



appointed two new members to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA). Sean Gaffney was appointed as a full member for a two-year term, and Matt Urie was appointed as a full member for a one-year term. Selectman James Drury resigned from his temporary service on the ZBA to make room for the new members.



In his interview with the board, Gaffney said that he has been a resident of Weare since 2014. He is a small business owner who works from home as a systems consultant, he said. Urie said he has lived in Weare for eight years.

He added that he spent ten years as a Navy nuclear electrician and has been with Eversource for 12 years.

Images above: Sean Gaffney (top) and Matt Urie (bottom) are sworn in as full members of the Weare Zoning Board by BOS Vice Chair Benjamin Knapp. (Tom Clow photo).





School News, continued



New Assistant Principal at Weare Middle School

Last spring, WMS Assistant Principal Carla Dionne welcomed another daughter and was on maternity leave. For the upcoming school year, Mrs. Dionne will be returning to the classroom, rejoining the fifth grade where she has previously taught prior to becoming an administrator.

Jerod Ready joined WMS for the spring while Mrs. Dionne was on leave and he will be staying in that role for the 2024-25 school year. Welcome, Mr. Ready!

JSRHS Fall Sports Tryouts/Practices (subject to change)
Bass fishing: Aug. 15, 4-6: p.m. (Practice location TBD).
Contact Bass Fishing Head Coach Robb Mefford at robb mefford@sau24sau2.

Cross Country. JSRHS: Aug. 19, 6-7:30 p.m. HCS: Aug. 20, 6-7:30 p.m. WMS: Aug. 22, 6-7:30 p.m. JSRHS: Aug. 23 3:30-5:15 p.m. Cross Country Head Coaches: Christine Anderson at christine.anderson@sau24.org and Joel Kress at

Field Hockey: Aug. 19–23, 4-6 p.m. Aug. 21, 8-9 a.m. (conditioning session at JSRHS). Aug. 24, Souhegan Jamboree (all day). Field Hockey Head Coach Cassidy Huckins can be reached at

Football: Aug. 16, 4:30-7 p.m. Aug. 17, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Aug. 19-23, 4:30-7 p.m. Aug. 24, scrimmage TBD. Football Head Coach Ray Kershaw can be reached at

Golf: Aug. 19-21 and Aug. 23. (Tee times - 11 a.m. at Angus Lea Golf Course in Hillsborough). Golfers meet at the golf course. Golf Head Coach Denis Kolehmainen can be reached at

Boys Soccer: Au. 19-21, 3:30-6 p.m. Aug. 22 and 23, 3:30-5 p.m. Aug. 24, home scrimmages starting at 10 a.m. Boys Soccer Head Coach, Zachary Shedlock, can be reached at

Girls Soccer: Aug. 19-21, 8-10 a.m. (session 1) and 4-6 p.m. (session 2). Aug. 22, home scrimmages starting at 4 p.m. Aug. 23, 8-10 a.m. Aug. 24, NHTI Jamboree (all day). Girls Soccer Head Coach Eddie Marceau can be reached at

Girls Volleyball: Aug. 19 and 20, 5-7:30 p.m. (JSRHS gymnasium). Aug. 21 and 22 (split group), 4:30-6 p.m. and 5:30-7:30 p.m. (Players will be assigned time slots to attend on these dates). Aug. 23 (first team practices), 3:30-5:30 p.m. or 5:30-7:30 p.m. Volleyball Head Coach Alisha Flanagan can be reached at

**Register for John Stark fall sports at johnstarkathletics.com. All documents must be completed prior to participation. For more information and/or questions please contact John Stark Athletic Director Rodney Brown at rodney.brown@sau24.org.

Best Buddies



JSRHS was recognised for NH Outstanding Chapter at the International Best Buddies conference July 20. Below: Eve Tagliaferro (next year's chapter president) and Izabel Korbet (this year's chapter president) receiving the award with Anthony Shriver. Mrs. Carole Zervos is an advisor

for the program.

We Are John Stark! Ninth Grade Transition Program



In July, more than half of the incoming ninth grade class participated in We Are John Stark! This two-week summer transition program was designed to provide an exciting and engaging introduction to high school. Participants had the opportunity

to <u>earn</u>

service learning hours through a wide variety of collaborative learning experiences and activities. Students became familiar with the school, with work study practices and school norms while having fun. Upper class students served as volunteers and helped welcome the ninth graders.



Construction to Cause Temporary Drawdown of Everett Lake

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District announced in a release on July 31 that contractors will begin construction work on Aug. 19 at Everett Lake in Weare to perform concrete repairs at several locations within the overall facility. The actual start and end dates of the construction could change pending weather and lake conditions.

The project, funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and led by primary contractor Coastal Engineering, LLC out of West Milford, New Jersey, will take approximately four weeks to complete.

Part of the repairs involve repairing concrete in the dam's intake weir.

The lake level drawdown will begin the week of August 12, when the lake will slowly be lowered, targeting a four-foot reduction by Aug. 19. Once work is complete, Everett Lake will be slowly returned to normal levels. The timeframe on returning to normal levels is highly dependent on flow conditions and how much precipitation is received in the area during this period.

While the maintenance work is being performed, the swim beach at Clough State Park will be impacted by the lake drawdown. Contact the Clough State Park Office at (603)-529-7112 for information on any use restrictions during this period. For further information, please contact the Hopkinton Everett Lakes Project Office at (603)-746-3601.



Weare Community Theatre Seeks Support

New people are moving into Weare nearly every week and as a rural town of 59.9 square miles, we are

spread far and wide. There are few opportunities conducive to rubbing shoulders. Weare Community Theater is all-inclusive and brings people from all corners of Weare together for the common purpose of telling Weare's history, and it has produced two successful pieces in the last two years, but we need your help to continue.

Your support will enable us to rent costumes, build sets, record and photograph the plays we perform, and print programs and scripts.

Please consider us with a tax-deductible donation by contacting Connie Evans at cke1@comcast.net.



Directors of the Eleanor A. Campbell Charitable Fund enjoyed a dinner followed by the annual business meeting held in Deering on July 26. From left to right, Eric Simon, Jim Newcomb, Beverly Chin and Gerry Little.

Campbell Board Names Directors

By Chris Hague

Susan Morin of Weare was among three members voted onto the Board of Directors of the Eleanor A. Campbell Charitable Fund at its annual meeting on July 26. Other new directors are Zachary Lawson of Henniker and Beverly Chin of Deering.

Susan brings a wealth of experience to the board, including two terms on the Weare School Board, leadership of the PTO, service as trustee and treasurer of the Weare Public Library, Master Plan Committee and Finance Committee.

The fund meets annually in Deering to elect new board members and honor those retiring. Board members oversee the activities of the fund founded by its namesake, Dr. Eleanor Campbell, in 1931. This year the fund awarded \$42,500 in college scholarships to students from Weare, Henniker, Hillsboro, Deering and Washington.

All 15 board members are volunteers, so public contributions to this nonprofit organization go directly toward scholarships awarded every June. More information about the fund and Dr. Campbell's remarkable story may be found at: www.eleanorcampbellcharitablefund.org.

Weare Pink Ladies

By Lily Tang Williams

Thanks to all the ladies who could join our potluck dinner



last month. Five who came were first timers. How about you? This is just an easygoing group who get together to relax and chat once a month.

It was a great time and we ate great food. Next meeting will be at the gazebo in Henniker on Aug. 27 at 6 p.m. Let's dance to Beatles tunes! For information, please contact Lily Tang Wiliams at Lily4Liberty@comcast.net.

Scout News



Pack 24 Cub Scouts

By Alyssa Small

From July 21-25, Pack 24
Cub Scouts were at Camp
Carpenter for a week of fun
in the great outdoors. The
Scouts' activities included
archery, BB gun practice,
fishing, paddle boats, gaga
ball, capture the flag,
campfires, swimming, trivia,
STEM and lots of walking!
The Scouts were happy and
tired when their parents



picked them up for the closing BBQ and fire. Thanks to all the leaders who made camp educational, exciting and safe.

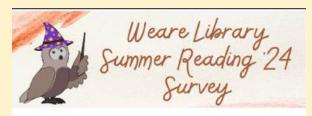


A new year of Scouting starts in September! The Cub Scout program is open to all boys and girls in grades K-5, and the Pack welcomes new members

year-round. Regular den meetings take

place every other week. If anyone is interested in joining, learning more about the program, or checking out an upcoming event, please reach out to Pack 24 Cubmaster Matt Bieler at matthew.bieler.bsa@gmail.com.

Weare Public Library Upcoming Events



We want to make the next summer even better! Please help us with some anonymous feedback.

Go to: bit.ly/ librarysummersurvey or scan this QR code. Thank you!



Our Summer Reading Program was the biggest ever! We had 202 kids sign-up and read for a total of 832 hours. Over 1,000 attended our 70 events.

Let us know how we can make next year even better with our Summer Reading Survey at: bit.lv/librarysummersurvey

AUGUST EVENTS

MONDAYS

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

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

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

THURSDAYS

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

FRIDAYS

10:30-noon. <u>Baby & Toddler Playgroup</u> (ages 0-3). An informal gathering for young children and their caregivers. Get out of the house; meet new friends! Books, puzzles, early literacy toys, & music.



We are hiring!
Circulation Librarian (part-time).
Learn more and apply at: bit.ly/wearejob

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 Lucy! She is a Terrier and is known for being affectionate, intelligent, athletic, friendly, gentle, confident, loyal, quiet and smart. She is good in a home with other dogs, cats and children. She loves to go for walks and runs; she's VERY good on a leash. Lucy is absolutely wonderful with humans

of all ages. She's initially cautious with other dogs, but once she trusts that they're not going to hurt her, she's very friendly toward them. She pretty much ignores cats. Lucy is about four years old and weighs about 68 pounds.



Meet Sweetie Pie! She is a Shepherd/Labrador Retriever mix. She is known for being affectionate, athletic, friendly, gentle, smart and quiet. She is good in a home with other dogs and children. This

southern belle loves to be loved! She is an intelligent, active girl who enjoys going for walks and playing. She is eager to snuggle and shower a person with love.. Sweetie knows how to sit on command and is eager to learn more. She's very smart and highly trainable. Sweetie Pie is two years old and weighs 48 pounds.



Meet Coco! Coco is a male Pug who is known for being friendly, affectionate, gentle, playful, smart and quiet. He is good in a home with other dogs and children. This boy has an absolutely WONDERFUL

temperament. He loves other dogs, and is happy to spend time cuddling with humans of all ages.

Coco is about five years old and weighs 18 pounds. He is bonded with his sister Guava, who is also available for adoption.



Meet Guava! She is a Miniature Schnauzer known for being friendly, affectionate, gentle, playful, smart and quiet. She is good in a home with other dogs and

children. She loves other dogs and is happy to spend time cuddling with humans of all ages. Guava is about five years old, and weighs 13 pounds. She is bonded with her brother Coco, who is also available for adoption.

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



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



Please Help Hand in Hand Senior Center

We serve lunch every Wednesday and our cooks are either retiring or moving away. We need volunteers to cook for between 50 – 60 people once or twice a month. We can work out the details with you. Our diners are appreciative, kind, and friendly. We really need your help to continue to make a difference to the heart and soul (and stomach too) of our over 60 population. Please, if you are at all interested, contact Shirley at 603-529-4263. Leave a message and she'll get back to you.

Join us for a sing along on Wednesday, Aug. 14 at 1 p.m. at the Center. All are welcome to join in and make some joyful noise with Mike Ard.

Movie afternoon: Aug. 15 at 4 p.m. The Center will show "Knives Out," a delightful whodunit attuned to the worries of the modern world. Refreshments are always part of the experience. Come join us.

Our two Donnas are developing an **exciting craft** program for the Center. Find out more in the next *Weare in the World*.

As summer ends, don't forget we have **chair yoga** on Mondays and Thursdays at 10:30, and more advanced yoga on Mondays at 11. All are welcome.

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?



Every Wednesday from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Dine in, take out or free delivery.

<u>Aug. 14:</u> Chicken and cheese noodle bake, fruit kabobs <u>Aug. 21:</u> Ham salad in hot dog rolls, garden salad, chips <u>Aug. 28:</u> Hawaiian pineapple pork, rice, green bean salad

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



Remembrance of Anne Wirkkala

By Sharon Czarnecki

On a perfect summer day, a hush fell over this busy world. In a much-loved garden, many friends of Anne Wirkkala joined each other to remember all she brought to us. It was one of those rare - time out of time - events that created a bubble around its participants — of

kindness, of belonging, of things being at peace with the world.

Kate Blume recalled how her 4-year-old Calvin shared Anne's sense of magic when the seed she gave him grew into a beautiful sunflower plant. This was part of a presentation she gave to Cub Scout Pack 24.

Cheryl Elliott spoke of how much she enjoys the dream catcher she and

her friends made with Anne at a Garden Club meeting. Here are two samples:





Anna Forte recalled that Anne was a Girl Scout leader along with Anne's mother. One of Forte's favorite memories was Girl Scout Camp in Jackson, NH.

Christine Maglio purchased a currant plant two years ago from Anne at the Garden Club plant sale. Today, she brought with her several jars of jam from that plant.

Heleen Kurk mentioned that Anne was always dependable to help when it was needed. She could be relied upon to show up, for instance, at 6 AM to help set up for the town-wide yard sale.

Regulars at the Senior Center mentioned her many original and brilliant PowerPoints that educated all of us on our planet, its plants, and how to keep it all going.

Her daughter, Liz Malik, says "No doubt we all will be stunned by the huge hole she has left in so many aspects of our lives.



Looking for Something to Do?

Compiled by Sharon Czarnecki



AG Paintball 603-529-3524

www.agpaintball.com

See website for events and information.



56 Mt. Vernon St., Milford (603) 672-1002 x38 https://amatocenter.org

8/16 & 8/17 * 7:30 p.m. Alice in Wonderland **8/17 & 8/18** * 2:30 p.m. Alice in Wonderland



American Legion Post 65

12 North Stark Highway, Weare

603-529-2722 www.wearepost65.org

Until Nov. 3: Breakfast every Sunday 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. 8/25 *8 to 11 a.m. Bake sale & raffle

Proceeds of sales help support local veterans and overseas active duty military. For more information join us for breakfast and we'd be happy to talk with you.



Capitol Center for the Arts

603-225-1111

www.ccanh.com

Chubb Theatre 44 S. Main St, Concord, NH

8/15 * 7 p.m. Jodi Picoult On Main (author)

Bank of NH Stage 16 S. Main St, Concord

8/17 * 6:30 p.m. Swing Dance Night

8/23 * 7 p.m. GIRLSPIT Burly Girlies & Hell Beach with

Fun City Fan Club

8/24 * 7:30 p.m. Echoes of Floyd



150 Ash St. Manchester 603-669-6144 www.Currier.org

NOTE: Our library has discount passes!

Until Dec. 31 * Frank Lloyd Wright Homes Tours **8/17** * 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. Art for Vets Family Day

Free for vets & their families

EXHIBITS

Until 8/18 "Cymodocea" / Elizabeth Key

Until 8/29 "Everything is Construction & Sound" /

Olga De Amaral

Until 9/2 "A Distant Conversation" /

Filippo de Pisis and Robert Mapplethorpe

Until 10/6 "Twilight Sounds" / Daniel Otero Torres

Until 11/3 "Stories of the Sea" / Van Gogh & Wyeth

Classes and Workshops for children and adults.

Scholarship Opportunities. Full or partial tuition on a

needs basis.



Deering Community Church

762 Deering Center Rd. 603-464-5643 www.facebook.com/DeeringCommunityChurch



762 Deering Center Rd. Deering, NH 603.464.3248 www.deering.nh.us/ **Deering Pavilion**

8/17 * 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. Deering Town Fair

8/24 * 6 p.m. Maple Treeo – Gentle 60s tunes



Fuller Public Library

29 School Street, Hillsborough

603-464-3595 www.fullerlibrary.info

See website for events and information.



Hampshire Hills Athletic Club 50 Emerson Rd., Milford

603-673-7123 www.hampshirehills.com

8/15, 8/22, & 8/29 * 5:30 p.m. Music at the Hills



Henniker Brewing Co.

129 Centervale Road, Henniker (603) 428-3579

www.hennikerbrewing.com

8/15, 22, & 29 * 6 p.m. Trivia

8/17 * 5 to 7 p.m. Kevin Horan (acoustic)

8/17 * 3 to 10 p.m. Boot Scootin Bookie 5K & Brew

8/21 & 28 * 6 p.m. Run Club (3.5 Miles) **8/24** * 3 to 5 p.m. Speed Trap – Epic Songs At Mt. Sunapee 1398 Route 103, Newbury, NH **8/17** * 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Rhythm & Brews Festival



Henniker - Town of

18 Depot Hill Road / 603-428-3221 www.henniker.org

Community Park 57 Main St.

8/20 * 6 - 8:30 p.m. Kotoko Brass Band

8/27 * 6 - 8:30 p.m. Studio Two



Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce

www.ghcocnh.org/event

Butler Park Concert Series 17 W. Main St.

8/16 * 6 p.m. **Baza Blues 8/22** * 6 p.m. In Clover

8/29 * 6 p.m. North River Band



Hillsboro Moose Lodge

15 School St., Hillsboro

603-464-6024

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

See website for events and information.



Majestic Theatre

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

See website for events and information.



2 Institute Drive, Concord (603) 271-7827x113

www.starhop.com

See website for events and information.



Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum

18 Highlawn Rd. Warner, NH 03278 603-456-2600 www.indianmuseum.org See website for events and information.



1 Central Wharf Boston, MA 02110 617-973-5206

www.neag.org

NOTE: Our library has discount passes!

Whale Watch: Guaranteed Sightings

8/15 – 29 * 9, 11, 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 cruises. Very large, comfortable catamarans / 3-4 hours to feeding grounds - Stellwagen Bank / Tickets \$70

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

Until 9/7 *

"Speaking for Nature" Exhibit Alpine Averill Photography



80 Hanover St., Manchester 603-668-5588

Children's Theatre Productions in RED.

Main Stage – 80 Hanover St., Manchester

8/15 - 8/16 * 10 a.m. Disney's Beauty and Beast Jr.

8/15 * 6:30 p.m. Disney's Beauty and Beast Jr.

8/16 * 7 p.m. Wizard of Oz (Youth Theatre)

8/17 * 11 a.m. Wizard of Oz (Youth Theatre)

8/20 – **8/22** * 6:30 p.m. Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr.

8/20 – 8/23 * 10 a.m. Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr.

8/23 * 6 p.m. New Hampshire Irish Festival

8/24 * Noon Willy Wonka Kids (Youth Theatre)

8/24 * 5 p.m. New Hampshire Irish Festival

Rex Theatre - 23 Amherst St., Manchester

8/16 * 7:30 p.m. Connecticut Grateful Dead All Stars (concert)

8/17 * 2 & 4 p.m. The Dusty & Dott Show Live! (youth comedy)

8/23 * 6 p.m. Featuring Mozart, Bach, others (concert)

8/23 * 8:30 p.m. The Best of the Beatles (concert)



Poetry Society of New Hampshire www.facebook.com/PoetrySocietyNH (603) 332-0732

Gibson's Bookstore 45 S. Main Street Concord

8/21 * 4:30 – 6 p.m. A featured poet and open mic.

First Unitarian Universalist Society of Exeter 12 Elm St www.exeteruu.org 603-772-4002

Frost Farm Poetry 122 Rockingham Rd, Derry www.frostfarmpoetry.org 603-432-3091

Bookery Manchester, 844 Elm Street www.bookerymht.com/open-mic-night 603 836-6600

See websites for events and information.



200 Bedford, St. Manchester (603) 669-0400 www.see-sciencecenter.org

NOTE: Our library has discount passes!

The SEE Science Center is not just for kids. Adult exhibits include mysteries of outer space to the tiniest molecules, with a variety of scientific discoveries.



Southern NH University Arena 555 Elm St. Manchester 603-644-5000 www.snhuarena.com/events See website for events and information.



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

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.

8/20 & 27 * 10 a.m. Turtle Talks with live Turtles 8/23 * 11 a.m. Kirkwood Gardens Guided Tour

Horticulturalist Emma Erler leads a guided tour.

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-Until Nov. 1: Dinosaurs Return. Life-size dinosaurs. Temporary exhibit features Allosaurus, Baryonyx, Diabloceratops, Dimetrodon, and a Parasaurolophus and can be climbed upon for photos. See website.

-Vernal Pools. Learn about the animals dependent on these temporary wetlands. 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Kirkwood Gardens - Free.

-Blue Star Museums initiative- FREE admission to currently serving U.S. military personnel and their families this summer.



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

www.starkbrewingcompany.com

See website for events and information.



White Birch Community Center
51 Hall Ave, Henniker
(603) 428-7860 www.whitebirchcc.org
(Programs are FREE unless listed in blue)

Volunteer **Dial-A-Ride Drivers Needed**. Consider being a Dial-A-Ride volunteer driver. For more info contact Rusty: 603-428–3077. **See website for events and information**.



1181 Deering Center Rd, Deering 603-529-2167

www.thewildsofnewengland.org

See website for events and information.

Chipping Sparrow

By Amanda Marsh



On a recent July morning, I was alarmed to see an injured baby bird on my back deck. I went to get a pair of gloves so I could move it out of my dog's range of interest. By the time I returned, it was gone, and I saw an

adult chipping sparrow instead. Research turned up this delightful description of the situation:

"But with all its virtues, the chippy shows lamentable weakness of character in allowing its grown children to impose upon it, as it certainly does. In every group of these birds throughout the summer we can see young ones hopping around after their parents, that are often no larger or more able-bodied than they, and teasing to be fed; dropping their wings to excite pity for a helplessness that they do not possess, when the weary little mother hops away from them, and still persistently chirping for

food until she weakly relents, returns to them, picks a seed from the ground and thrusts it down the bill of the sauciest teaser in the group." *Bird Neighbors* by Neltje Blanchan (1897).

Apparently, that fledgling was pretending to be injured to elicit sympathy!

Weare Business Corner



Any Path Physical Therapy LLC



Maxwell Post, PT, DPT, CLT Physical Therapist

425 S Stark Hwy Unit #3 Weare, NH 03281

Phone: (603) 316-4942 Fax: (603) 945-4347 www.anypathpt.com

New Montessori Toddler School in Weare

Covered Bridge Montessori School will be opening at the Holy Cross Church at 118 Center Road in Weare.



There are still nine slots available for the fall for children aged 18 months to 3 1/2. There will be an open house on Thursday, Aug. 15 from 3-5 p.m. and

Friday, Aug. 16 from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Miss Cristina at 603-529-0607.

Asked and Answered:

Jokes and humor, with a dash of amusing lawn ornaments and mailboxes

Summer Jokes

Submitted by Shirley Waite

- -It's so hot, when the temperature drops below 95, I start to feel chilly!
- -It's so hot, cows are giving evaporated milk!
- -It's so hot, asphalt has a liquid state!
- -It's so hot, I saw a bird pull a worm out of the ground with an oven mitt!
- -It's so hot, chickens are laying hard boiled eggs!
- -It's so hot, polar bears are wearing sunscreen!
- -It's so hot, I've discovered my seatbelt makes a pretty good branding iron!
- -It's so hot, Granny broke wind just to have a little breeze!
- -It's so hot, Siri asked to be dipped in a glass of ice water!
- -It's so hot, fire ants are really on fire!
- -It's so hot, hot water comes out of both taps!







Sheep ornaments in South Weare.



Rock cairns in Henniker.



Pine Tree Riot memorial stone (Lisa Wilbur photo).





"Air Mail" in South Weare and a Star Wars "AT-AT" in Bedford.



Spotted in Maine (Val Bartholomew photo).



From Weare Center.



An "alluring" mailbox.



A rooster awaits the mail.



Lemonade stand enthusiasm! (Shirley Waite photo).



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POETRY CORNER

Lattes

I admit it, I'm addicted to lattes, my favorite is mocha, dark roast with skim milk, the skim being a concession to fat, not good for my heart, calories not good for my waist line, I write better drinking café lattes, smooth to the tongue, taste buds happy, chocolate mixed with coffee, ahhh, smooth to the brain, wipes out cobwebs, my fingers dance on the keyboard, I'm on a roll. let's hear it for mocha lattes.

> -Marge Burke from "Jubilation," by Infinitely More Press

Clover and the Bee

They made a pretty picture, white clover blossoms atop stems in a three leaf clover patch, black and yellow bee perched itself upon a blossom, wings in slow motion during sweet nectar feast.

-Marge Burke

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, Aug. 12

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

Tuesday, Aug. 13

7 p.m. - Parks & Recreation Commission meeting

Wednesday, Aug. 14

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

Thursday, Aug. 15

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

Friday, Aug. 16

11 a.m. - Weare Area Writers Guild meeting

Tuesday, Aug. 20

7 p.m. - Cable Committee meeting

Wednesday, Aug. 21

7 p.m. – Master Plan Subcommittee meeting

Monday, Aug. 26

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

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