



Weare in the World

Weare Residents, By Weare Residents

August 28, 2024

Awards Night Celebrates Police Officers and Citizens

By Tom Clow

Wednesday, Aug. 14 was an evening to recognize and celebrate the efforts of members of the Weare Police Department and citizens who lent a hand in those efforts. Chief Christopher Moore presented lifesaving awards, certificates of commendation and recognition of years of service at a ceremony held at the Weare Middle School.



Captain Frank Hebert of the Weare Police Department, left, received a certificate from Chief Christopher Moore honoring him for serving more than fifteen years with the department (Tom Clow photo).

Lifesaving Awards

Sergeant Brandon Montplaisir and Sergeant Ryan Frisbie, Chandar Argeriou, Isabella Roy and Gretchen Mathieu: for their actions and assistance at the scene of an accident involving two motorcycles near 140 Concord Stage Road

on June 11, 2023.

Corporal Michael Muise: for his actions assisting Fire Rescue Lieutenant Amanda Charest on July 7, 2023, when he responded to a report on Etta Lane that a male subject was not conscious and not breathing.

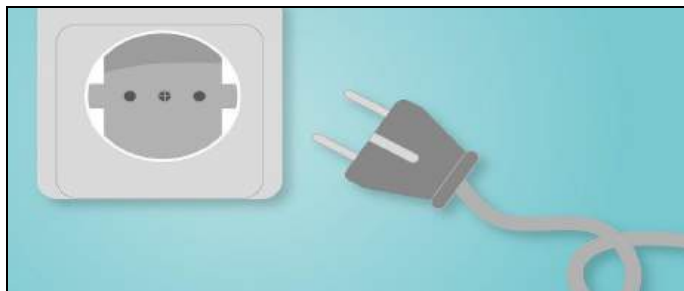
Corporal Andrew Vollaro, Officer J. Burner and bystander Desiree Cote: for their actions on January 9, 2024, resuscitating a victim at 174 South Stark Highway who had suffered a heart attack.

Commendation Awards

Corporal Andrew Vollaro: for on his own initiative, applying for state-funded grants that have resulted to date in \$19,962.58 in funding for mobilization patrols and \$13,423.66 in funding for equipment.

Chief Christopher Moore, Captain Frank Hebert, Sergeant Brandon Montplaisir, Sergeant Ryan Frisbie, Corporal Michael Muise, Corporal Andrew Vollaro, Officer

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Selectmen Approve Creation of Local Energy Commission

By Tom Clow

Following a public hearing on Aug. 12, the Weare Board of Selectmen voted to establish the Weare Energy Commission. A group of citizens now referring to themselves as the Weare Energy Research Group has been working toward that goal for several months. David Erikson, who has presented the case for an energy committee at several board meetings, said the group had chosen him as their chairperson. He said that Laurie Gordon, along with Elizabeth Evans, got the group started, and that Evans currently serves as the group's secretary. Others involved have been Paul Doscher, Sam Small and Chris Conroy, he said.

After discussing the terms committee and commission, the board referred to N.H. RSA Chapter 38-D, which states that any city or town may establish an energy commission for the study, planning and utilization of energy resources for municipal buildings and building resources of such city or town. Based on this RSA, the board voted to establish the Weare Energy Commission.

Board Chairperson Janice Mathews emphasized that the energy commission was not an electric aggregation committee, also referred to as community power. That would require separate action, she said.

A posting on www.weare.nh.gov calls for volunteers to serve on the newly formed commission. Directions for applying are included in the posting. The deadline for applications is Tuesday, Sept. 3 by 5 p.m. Interviews with the BOS will be scheduled for Monday, Sept. 9.



"Talk" To Us
Books
Deadline: Sept. 6
weareintheworldnews@gmail.com

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Chad Averill, Officer Ashely Hersch and Administrative Assistant Emily Dauphinais: for their actions and their collaboration with various other law enforcement agencies that resulted in the apprehension of a suspect for the planting of two explosive devices, one on Dustin Tavern Road on April 26, 2023 and one on Sugar Hill Road on April 27, 2023. The case has subsequently been adopted by the United States Attorney’s office for prosecution, according to Chief Moore.

Letters of Recognition

Dustin Cheney; for his actions on August 11, 2024, when he observed Weare Police in a roadside struggle and intervened. He then provided traffic control until additional units arrived.

Brenden Bowen: for his leadership and work on a geographical information system plot map that will be posted on the Weare Police Department website and provide citizens with information on active traffic control signs within the Weare Community.

Longevity Ribbons

Longevity ribbons were awarded for years of service in five-year intervals. The following members of the department received these awards at the Aug. 14 ceremony: Captain Hebert, 15 years; Sergeant Montplaisir, Sergeant Frisbie, and Officer Maguire, 10 years; Corporal Muise, Officer Averill and Administrative Assistant Dauphinais, 5 years.

A complete list of awards and a photo display from the awards celebration can be found on the Weare Police Department website and Facebook page.

Chase Park Fall Hours		
Dates	Beach	Boat ramp
Aug. 26-29	Closed	
Aug. 30-Sept. 1	9 a.m. - 8 p.m.	9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.	9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sept. 7-8	9 a.m. - 8 p.m.	10 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14-15	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.	10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sept. 21-22	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.	10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sept. 28-29	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Oct. 5-6	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Oct. 12-14	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



N.H. State Primary

Tuesday, Sept. 10

7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Weare Middle School

The Weare Town Clerk’s Office will be closed on Primary Day.

District 28 Representative (Weare)

Travis Corcoran (R)
Keith Erf (R)

David Erikson (D)
Luke Drake (D)

District 44 Representative (Weare/Goffstown)

Ross Berry (R)
Lisa Mazur (R)

Marie Morgan (D)
Eric Emmerling (D)

**State Senator District 8
(Weare and 23 surrounding towns)**

Ruth Ward (R)

David Trumble (D)

Other local races include Executive Councilor, Hillsborough County Treasurer, Commissioner, Sheriff, Register of Deeds and Probate.

Voter Registration or Changes

Public Legal Notice - Town of Weare, NH

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on **Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2024 from 5 - 5:30 p.m.** (and for extended hours at the discretion of the Supervisors) at the Town Clerk’s Office, 15 Flanders Memorial Rd, for corrections to the checklist. Voters wishing to register or registered voters wishing to change their record may do so at this meeting. RSA 669:5 This is the last session to register to vote at the Town Clerk’s office. Unregistered voters may register to vote at the polls on election day. Any person with a disability who wishes to attend this public meeting and needs to be provided a reasonable accommodation in order to participate should call the Town Office at 529-7527 at least 24 hours in advance so that arrangements can be made.

**The General Election will be held on
Tuesday, Nov. 5.**



School News



A big thank you to Carol Johnson and Donna Flanders from the Weare American Legion and Ryan Lunderville from Integrity Martial Arts who donated multiple backpacks loaded with school supplies for Weare Middle School students!

Upcoming Dates

- School board meetings
 - John Stark - Sept. 11
 - Weare - Sept. 17
- Open House
 - JSRHS: Wednesday, Sept. 18, 6-9 p.m.
 - WMS: Thursday Aug. 19, 5:30 p.m.
 - CWES
 - Preschool: Aug. 29
 - Morning class: 12:30-1:15 p.m.
 - Afternoon class: 1:15-2 p.m.
 - Kindergarten: Aug. 26, 4 p.m.
 - Grades 1-3: Sept. 26, 6 p.m.



Tiny Tykes Soccer

Six-week FALL SOCCER clinic for ages 2-6. Sign up today so you don't miss out!

- Learn from the British pros! Program is run by Challenger Sports.
- Field Location: Purington Memorial, Salmen Rd.
- Program Dates: Fridays only, Sept. 6 - Oct. 11.

Mini Kickers Cubs (2-3) – 3:30-4:15 p.m.
 Mini Kickers Lions (4-5) – 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.
 Mini Kickers Lions (5-6) – 5:30 – 6:15 p.m.
 To register: [Challenger Soccer](#)

Weare Public Library Upcoming Events

MONDAYS

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

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

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

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.

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 1:30 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 either tour by calling the library at 603-529-2044.

FALL WEEKLY EVENTS STARTING ON SEPT. 17

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!

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.

**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

Hand in Hand Senior Center is a home away from home for fun, healthy, social activities. We're open to new ideas and suggestions, so, if you have an interest you would like us to develop, please call 603-529-4263 and leave a message.

On that note, our two Donnas will be offering a monthly craft experience. This is how it will work: on the first Tuesday of the month, the craft will be introduced and started. On each following Tuesday, the group will get together and continue working on that craft. Then, the next month, a new craft will be introduced and so forth. The crafts will include things like unique bookmarks, crazy quilt wall hangings, quilted Christmas trees, Christmas tree ornaments, pipe cleaner flowers and many, many more exciting, creative ideas. We will publicize each craft ahead of time. This is a chance to keep your hands and mind busy and have fun socializing and meeting new people. **The first craft will be *unique bookmarks*. It will start on Tuesday, Sept. 4 at 10:30 a.m. at the Center.** So that we have enough material for the craft, please sign up either by calling 603-529-4263 or stopping in at the Center Wednesday – Saturday between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Our tech guru, Roland Beauregard, has been giving classes at other senior centers and is willing to give 1 ½ hour classes on “Staying Safe on Computers and Mobile Devices” and “Texting and Emailing Made Easy.” Keep an eye out for when these classes will be offered. This is a great opportunity for anyone who wants to learn more or be more confident in their use of today's way of communicating.



**WHAT'S FOR
LUNCH?**



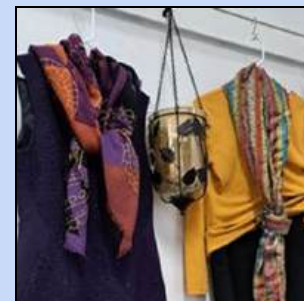
Every Wednesday from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Dine in, take out or free delivery.

Aug. 28: Ultimate pork and rice casserole, green bean salad. For information on upcoming lunches, check our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/hihsc.org Coffee, tea, and various desserts are also available. All are welcome to stay for games, crafts, and conversation

**WHAT'S IN
THE SHOP?**



We're rolling out fall clothing and décor...



and spooky Halloween items too!

Friends of the Weare Public Library

By Dianne Hathaway

The Friends Need YOU!



We are looking for community members who want to be actively involved in the Friends. Our current officers have rebuilt and reorganized the group, and active members have developed a revenue stream with successful fundraisers to support the needs of the Weare Public Library. We are a small group, and WE NEED YOU to keep us moving forward!

What's coming up: our annual meeting and election of new officers, development of the 2025 budget and how we will spend our funds, and preliminary planning for the next round of fundraisers.

Join Us! It's not too late and we need additional members! Membership is only \$10 per year. We currently meet on the fourth Tuesday evening of January, March, May, July, September and November at 6:30 p.m. at the Weare Public Library. If you would like more information, please email us at friendsofwearepl@gmail.com. Like and follow us on Facebook! Our web page address is <https://www.wearepubliclibrary.com/friends>.

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::

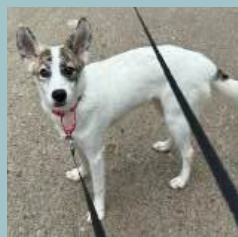
<https://www.heartsandtails.org/adoption-application>.

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



Meet Nikita! She is a Miniature Poodle and Havanese mix. She is known for being affectionate, friendly, gentle, loyal, playful, quiet and smart. She is good in a home with other dogs, cats and children. She LOVES to go for walks and, unfortunately, her new mom's health is such that she is unable to give Nikita the level of activity that she needs. Considering how active Nikita is, we would have guessed her age to be about five years old, but her paperwork shows that she is about 10 years old, and she weighs 11 pounds.

She would do well as an only dog, or with other dogs who are calm. She doesn't react to cats. Nikita has an old injury to her left hind leg that makes her foot turn outward a little, but two different vets have told us that surgery is not necessary. She currently walks more than a mile a day here at the shelter, and that, along with some cuddling and playtime, seems to satisfy her activity needs.



Meet Jonah! He is a Siberian Husky who is known for being friendly, affectionate, gentle, smart, athletic, quiet and calm. He is good in a home with other dogs, cats and children. This gentle, sweet boy has a gorgeous face and beautiful, SOFT fur. He's just an all-around sweetheart who is longing for love. Jonah was dropped off at a high kill shelter because his owner was moving out of state for his job and couldn't take him with him. We couldn't let this sweet, young puppy, with so much life ahead of him, be euthanized. He is filled with gratitude and love, and he has traveled to New England to search for his forever family. This gorgeous little boy is just six months old and weighs 30 pounds. He loves people, and other dogs as well!

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

9/2 * 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Labor Day Walk Ons

Registration required for all events.



56 Mt. Vernon St., Milford

(603) 672-1002 x38

<https://amatocenter.org>

9/12 * 7 p.m.

Bob Marley/comedian



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.



Capitol Center for the Arts

603-225-1111

www.ccanh.com

Bank of NH Stage 16 S. Main St, Concord

8/31 * 7 p.m. Taylor & Olivia Dance Party

9/ 4 * 6 p.m. Highway to the RangerZone/ open mic

9/ 5 * 7 p.m. John Gorka – guitar/song

9/ 6 * 7:30 p.m. A Tribute to Eric Clapton

9/7 *7:30 p.m. NightOUT/The Free Range Revue

9/ 8 * 6 p.m. NHMC Sunday Sessions:

The Starlight Honeys/music

9/12 * 7 p.m. Choir!Choir!Choir!/sing along



150 Ash St. Manchester 603-669-6144

www.Currier.org

NOTE: Our library has discount passes!

Until Dec. 31 * Frank Lloyd Wright Homes Tours

9/ 4 * 1-2 p.m. Memory Café

Program for patients and caregivers

EXHIBITS

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.

Art for Vets – full tuition to veterans and their families.



Deering Community Church

762 Deering Center Rd. 603-464-5643

www.facebook.com/DeeringCommunityChurch

9/ 4 * Noon Guild Meeting – all women welcome

9/14 * 9 -11 a.m. Community Breakfast – all welcome



Fuller Public Library

29 School Street, Hillsborough
603-464-3595 www.fullerlibrary.info

- 9/3, 5, 10, & 12 * 10 a.m. Storytime
9/3 * 1 & 6 p.m. How To Day – Paper Flowers. Reg. req.
9/5 & 12 * 1 p.m. Board Games – Adults
9/6 * 1 p.m. Chat N Chew
9/9 * 2 p.m. Tech Help
9/9 * 1 p.m. Knitting Purls
9/9 * 2 p.m. Military History Book Club
9/10 * 6- 7:30 p.m. Haunted Houses of New England –
Speaker Christopher Daley

Deering Library, Town Hall, Center Rd., Deering

9/7 * 10 a.m. Acrylic Painting for Adults

Grapevine Center, 4 Aiken St., Antrim

9/3 * 7 p.m. Dad's Campfire

Grimes Field, 28 Preston St, Hillsboro

8/31 & 9/4 & 11 * 9 a.m. Toddler sm Soccer (ages 2-3)

8/31 & 9/4 & 11 * 9:30 a.m Toddler Soccer (4-5)

Fee \$20 Register at: www.hillsboro.recdesk.com

Sep 9 * 5:30 p.m. Adult Co-Ed Soccer 18 plus

Sep 9 & 12 * 5:30 p.m. Adult Pickleball



Hampshire Hills Athletic Club
50 Emerson Rd., Milford 603-673-7123
www.hampshirehills.com

- 9/5 & 12 * 5:30 to 8:30 p.m Music at the Hills
9/7 * 7 a.m. Les Mills Body Combat \$15
Registration Required



Henniker Brewing Co.

129 Centerville Road, Henniker
(603) 428-3579 www.hennikerbrewing.com

Food for purchase in red.

- 8/30 * 1-7 p.m. **Waffle Donut Wagon**
8/31 * 12-7 p.m. Gary & Eric/ **A Mazie Q**
9/1 * 12-5 p.m. **Fox Point Oysters**
9/1 * 5-7 p.m. Oktoberfest
9/2 * 12-6 p. m. Labor Day
9/4 * 6 p.m. Run Club/**Iberian Empanadas**
9/5 * 6 p.m. Trivia
9/5 * 3-8 p.m. **Bewitchen Kitchen Tacos**
9/6 * 6-8 p.m. Paint N Sip, Materials Provided
9/6 * 4-7 p.m. **Smokin' Trolley**
9/7 * Pedaling for Payson. Money raised
supports the Pedaling for Hope Fund at Concord Hospital for
Cancer Care. New this year: stationary pedaling. Reg. req.
9/7 * 3-5 p.m. **Moe's Italian Sandwiches**
9/8 * 12-7 p.m. **Blue Nose Pitmasters BBQ**
9/11 * 6-8 p.m. Run Club/**Iberian Empanadas**
9/12 * 6 p.m. Trivia
9/12 * 3-8 p.m. **Bewitchen Kitchen Tacos**



Henniker - Town of

18 Depot Hill Road / 603-428-3221
www.henniker.org Community Park, 57 Main St.

9/3 * 6- 8:30 p.m. Nick's Other Band (Rock N Roll)



Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce

www.ghcofnh.org/event
Butler Park Concert Series 17 W. Main St.

9/5 * 6 p.m. Endless Skies Band/family friendly
9/12 * 6 p.m. Sheep Dip Band



Hillsboro Moose Lodge

15 School St., Hillsboro 603-464-6024

<https://www.facebook.com/hillsboro.mooselodge/>
See website for events and information.



98 Bridge St., Henniker
603-428-2000 www.nec.edu

9/7 * 10 a.m. Annual Meeting
Speaker: Richard Hesse – “Presidential Immunity 2.0”
All welcome.



Majestic Theatre

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

See website for events and information.



2 Institute Drive, Concord
(603) 271-7827 www.starhop.com

9/6 * 6:30 p.m. “To an Asteroid and Back” film, directed
by James Tralie, a planetary science producer, animator,
and TV host at NASA.



Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum

18 Highlawn Rd. Warner, NH 03278
603-456-2600 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
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.

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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

The McLane Center 84 Silk Farm Road, Concord

Until 9 7 "Speaking for Nature" Alpine Averill Photography

9/12* 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. "Native NH Birds" exhibit opening

Massabesic Center 26 Audubon Way, Auburn

8/31* 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. "Harvest of Arts" exhibit by the Manchester Arts Association Opening.

9/7* 12-3 p.m. Reception for above exhibit

9/7* 8:30-10 a.m. Free Birding Outing (RSVP)

9/7* 10-11 a.m. Free Tour of Massabesic Gardens (RSVP)



Night Owl Quilting Studio
4 Main St. Goffstown 603-384-2557
www.nightowlquiltingstudio.com

Until Late Sept. Fall Challenge Quilt Kits.
Entries due by 10/ 12. Gift Certificate Prizes \$50/\$30/\$25.
9/13* 6 p.m. Bingo \$25 per person. Reg. req.



80 Hanover St., Manchester
603-668-5588

9/ 6 & 7* 7:30 p.m. Oliver!

9/7 & 8* 2 p.m. Oliver!

9/12* 7:30 p.m. Sweet Baby James /James Taylor Tribute

Rex Theatre - 23 Amherst St., Manchester

9/6* 2 & 7:30 p.m. Ultimate Variety Show

Vegas Top Impersonators

9/8* 4 p.m. Soultown Band

9/12* 7 p.m. Speedy (1928) Silent Film)



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

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

9/6* 6 p.m. Coffeehouse

Frost Farm Poetry 122 Rockingham Rd, Derry

www.frostfarmpoetry.org 603-432-3091

9/12* 6:30-8:30 p.m. Hyla Brook Poets /readings & open mic

Bookery Manchester, 844 Elm Street

www.bookerymht.com/open-mic-night

603 836-6600

3rd Sat of each month. Call for times



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

NOTE: Our library has discount passes!

9/2* Labor Day – Open

9/3-9/6* Closed for renovations

9/9 -5/27* Closed on Mondays



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



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

www.starkbrewingcompany.com

9/9* 7-9 p.m. Queen City Improv. \$15 Entry Fee



White Birch Community Center

51 Hall Ave, Henniker

(603) 428-7860 www.whitebirchcc.org

See website for events and information.

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))



Local Business Spotlight

Covered Bridge Montessori School

By Marge Burke

Opening day for Covered Bridge Montessori School, located in Holy Cross Episcopal Church at 118 Center Rd. in Weare, is Tuesday, Sept. 3. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Director of the school, Cristina Valente, will greet each child every day with a smile and handshake and be known as “Miss Cristina.”

Valente, a certified Montessori teacher, has many years of experience both as teacher of children and teacher of potential teachers in the Montessori philosophy. She began her training at Mount Ida College in Newton, Massachusetts, (now part of the University of Massachusetts-Amherst), graduating in 1996 and 1999 with a major in the Reggio-Emilia Italian philosophy of learning for toddlers and preschoolers. She continued her training in Montessori philosophy, is a member of the Northeast Montessori Institute and began her teaching in 2009. Her continuing education has been with the American Montessori Society with study in Italy. This toddler to preschool age serves as a bridge from home to school with a program designed to foster independent learning in a peaceful, calm setting.

With the recent closing of three Montessori-based schools in the area, the opening of the Covered Bridge School fills a need for toddler and preschool opportunities for individual, self-identifying and creative learning. The school is certified for children ages 16 months to four years of age. The classroom is spacious, light and bright, filled with tables, chairs, shelves and bookcases and a wide array of items of interest to eager learners, with absorbent minds, ready to soak up new learnings. The program is based on thematic learning sections. The children learn how to be members of a community in their personal development and independence, with programs in math, science and cultural studies. All holidays are celebrated focusing on cultural norms, music, art and helping children understand our world of differences.

One unit focuses on the work of the famous architect, Frank Lloyd Wright, fostering children’s innate sense of building using blocks of all sizes, shapes and colors. Wright’s mission as an architect was to help people understand how to make life more beautiful, giving reason, rhyme and meaning to life.

Slots are still available for the fall session, and there is a wait list for the session beginning in January.

For more information, contact Valente at 603-529-0607 and leave a message, or check the school out at Covered Bridge Montessori School’s Facebook page.



Asked and Answered:

Photos

What Makes an Iconic Photo?

By Sharon Czarnecki

In the last issue of *Weare in the World*, we asked you what kinds of photos inspired you, made you laugh, caught a special moment in life, or just plain charmed you with beauty or awe.

That question got me thinking about all the iconic photos that have become part of my life. Next, I was frustrated because I could not share them with you. They are copyright protected, of course – as they should be. But I realized most of you would know them if you saw them: the sailor kissing the nurse at the end of the war, Marilyn Monroe over the sidewalk vent, the aftermath of the Twin Towers, the steel workers on a beam eating lunch 850 feet above the ground, Kennedy’s limo, the students at Kent State and so many more.

AI (Artificial Intelligence) describes an iconic photo as, “Images that are embedded in culture, can define a historical event, and are recognized by many people. They can evoke strong emotions, such as fear, joy, or grief, and are often reproduced across a variety of media. Iconic photos are more than just a snapshot, they are a reflection of a moment in time that can tell a story and inspire people long after they were taken.”

For an evening of interesting conversation, you might want to consider questions my family and I found ourselves posing to each other over dinner at a local restaurant recently:

- Does such a photo transcend language?
- Is it recognized worldwide or limited to our own culture?
- Can you think of photos that would be understood in all developed countries, and how does that limit their number?
- Is freezing a moment in time crucial or would the photo still work 30 seconds later?
- If a photo goes viral, does that make it iconic?
- Is such a photo art or history?

And speaking of art, here’s to the art of conversation; and hoping you enjoy developing the topic further. 😊



Freedom and Jeff

This photo was sent to us by our reader Val Bartholomew who found it, and the accompanying story, inspirational. Jeff Guirdy – pictured and the writer of this piece – is a

volunteer at the Sarvey Wildlife Center in Arlington, Washington.

“Freedom and I have been together 11 years this summer. She came in as a baby in 1998 with two broken wings. Her left wing doesn't open all the way even after surgery, it was broken in four places. She's my baby.

When Freedom came in, she could not stand and both wings were broken. She was emaciated and covered in lice. We made the decision to give her a chance at life, so I took her to the vet's office. From then on, I was always around her. We had her in a huge dog carrier with the top off, and it was loaded up with shredded newspaper for her to lay in. I used to sit and talk to her, urging her to live, to fight; and she would lay there looking at me with those big brown eyes. We also had to tube feed her for weeks.

This went on for 4-6 weeks, and by then, she still couldn't stand. It got to the point where the decision was made to euthanize her if she couldn't stand in a week. You know you don't want to cross that line between torture and rehab, and it looked like death was winning. She was going to be put down that Friday, and I was supposed to come in on that Thursday afternoon. I didn't want to go to the center that Thursday, because I couldn't bear the thought of her being euthanized; but I went anyway, and when I walked in everyone was grinning from ear to ear. I went immediately back to her cage; and there she was, standing on her own, a big, beautiful eagle. She was ready to live. I was just about in tears by then. That was a very good day.

We knew she could never fly, so the director asked me to glove train her. I got her used to the glove, and then to jesses, and we started doing education programs for schools in western Washington. We wound up in the newspapers, radio (believe it or not) and some TV. Miracle Pets even did a show about us.

In the spring of 2000, I was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. I had stage three, which is not good (one major organ plus everywhere), so I wound up doing eight months of chemo. Lost the hair - the whole bit. I missed a lot of work. When I felt good enough, I would go to Sarvey and take Freedom out for walks.Fast forward to November 2000.

The day after Thanksgiving, I went in for my last checkup. They did the tests; and I had to come back Monday for the results. I went in Monday, and I was told that all the cancer was gone.

So the first thing I did was get up to Sarvey and take the big girl out for a walk. It was misty and cold. I went to her flight and jessed her up, and we went out front to the top of the hill. I hadn't said a word to Freedom, but somehow she knew. She looked at me and wrapped both her wings around me to where I could feel them pressing in on my back (I was engulfed in eagle wings), and she touched my nose with her beak and stared into my eyes, and we just stood there like that for I don't know how long. That was a magic moment. We have been soul mates ever since she came in. This is a very special bird.

Please share this story in memory of anyone you know who has been struck down by cancer or is still living with it.

I will never forget the honor I have of being so close to such a magnificent spirit as Freedom.”

A Magic Garden Moment

By Sue Canella

Several summers ago, I enjoyed a special magic moment in the garden; something that happens only by rare chance. On a typical day in early June, when I was out watering, I was standing near the property line between my lot and the neighbors' next door. They kept a hummingbird feeder in their yard and, as I watched, a brilliantly iridescent little ruby throated hummer came zipping along heading for the feeder. But then he suddenly stopped right in front of me and hovered at the edge of the spray from my hose. I could almost hear him thinking: “Oooh! A nice cool shower!” Then he darted right into the spray. Immediately I adjusted the nozzle from full spray down to light mist and he turned around and came back in for another dip. He stayed there, not more than an arm's length in front of me, hovering, darting in and out, and enjoying a refreshing shower. Finally, he went for a sip from the feeder next door and then was gone.



Of course, my camera was in the house, and I'd lose the moment entirely if I put the hose down and ran to get it, so I don't have a picture - except in my mind. Still, it's a moment I'll keep and always treasure. Now I really must remember to carry the camera with me when I work in the garden. (Photo by Pixabay).



Tell Us About:

Books!

September 6th is Read a Book Day
What is one of your favorites?

Has a book changed your life? Do you have a favorite quote from one you have read recently? Are there 2 or 3 you would recommend – and why?



POETRY CORNER

Nighttime Serenade

Nights are warm
windows are open
sounds waft in
tree frogs sing
tiny critters
live in trees
croak, croak, croak
their mating sound
lasts for hours
every night
in August
I've never seen them
just listen to
their night song
of courting.

-Marge Burke

Sunflower Festival

Sixty-five acres
in which to roam
along rows and rows
of sunflowers, their
yellow faces look
east toward the sun,
bees circle disc florets
in flowers' centers
searching for seeds
beneath disc florets,
children frolic,
adults stand in awe,
a time to savor.

-Marge Burke

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An occasional column featuring readers' reverent observations of our natural surroundings



This rare Giant Swallowtail was found on July 27 nectaring on a buttonbush during the Concord Butterfly Survey, which is coordinated by N.H. Audubon. This species is usually found farther south. (Photo by Rebecca Suomala, biologist at N.H. Audubon).



"Mushroom Mosaics"
found in Derry
(Sharon Czarnecki photo).

Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday, Sept. 4

6 p.m. – Mildred Hall Advisory Committee meeting
7 p.m. – Master Plan Subcommittee meeting

Thursday, Sept. 5

7 p.m. – Public Library Trustees meeting

Friday, Sept. 6

11 a.m. – Weare Area Writers Guild meeting

Monday, Sept. 9

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

Tuesday, Sept. 10

7:30 p.m. – Zoning Board meeting

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

Thursday, Sept. 12

7 p.m. – Planning Board 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

