



# Weare in the World

*For Weare Residents, By Weare Residents*

**August 9, 2023**

## Weare Old Home Day Saturday, Aug. 12



See "The Lost Village," an original play by the Weare Community Theatre. Performances Friday (6 p.m.) and Saturday (noon and 3:30 p.m.) near the gazebo in Weare Center.

### Remembering East Weare and the Hurricane of 1938

- Craft/vendor fair and demonstrations
- Food
- Kids' crafts, games, bounce house
- Raffles
- Museum tours

### For more information:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/wearehistoricalsociety/>

### WEARE HIGH REUNION

**Date:** Aug. 19, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Place:** John Knox farm at 132 Cross Rd.

**Who:** Weare High School graduates up through 1987

**What:** Friends, food, music, cars, merriment!

### Headcount needed. Please send reservations to:

Dave Rogers

166 Rockingham Road

Auburn, NH 03032

You may also call 603-540-3195

or e-mail [daverogers214@yahoo.com](mailto:daverogers214@yahoo.com)



Assistant Library Director Thelma Tracy, right, is pictured with librarian Dena Ventiere at a gathering on Aug. 3 to honor Tracy on her retirement (Tom Clow photo).

## Assistant Library Director Honored at Retirement Party

By Tom Clow

About 25 people came by the Weare Public Library on Aug. 3 to enjoy cake and coffee and to say thank you and good-bye to Assistant Library Director Thelma Tracy on her last day before retirement. During the last 15 years, Tracy has served as assistant to three directors: Christine Hague, Michael Sullivan and present director Clay Kriese. She reminisced about her time at the Weare Public Library, saying that it was a job she loved. The library really gets into your heart, she said.

Tracy carried the library through some difficult times. With the sudden passing of Sullivan in 2019, she found herself in charge until a new director was hired. When the present volunteer staff of *Weare in the World* took on the responsibility for publishing the newspaper after Sullivan's passing, Tracy helped guide the group through the printing and

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**"Talk" To Us  
Vacation  
Deadline – August 18<sup>th</sup>**  
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distribution of the early issues. Unfortunately, the pandemic forced the library to close, so the newspaper went solely online and has continued that way ever since.

Those present for Tracy's retirement gathering included several library trustees, members of the Library Foundation, a Weare selectman and a member of the Weare School Board. In addition, members of the public included several senior citizens who were regular participants in the Thursday morning coffees at the library. Since the library was open for business, working staff members drifted in and out with their good wishes. One visitor presented Tracy with an original poem to usher her into retirement.

## Fire Chief Recognizes Veteran Members; Reports on Transition Process

By Tom Clow

In a presentation to the Weare Board of Selectmen on July 24, Interim Fire Rescue Chief Christopher Olsen recognized the long-term service of four members of the department. Olsen shared letters of thanks and recognition presented to Robert Richards for 41+ years with the department, David Hewey for 38+ years, Scott Dinsmore for 38+ years and Frederick (Rick) Hippler for 20 years. The recognition was part of restructuring and transition within the department, he said.

In March of this year, voters approved a warrant article that eliminates the Board of Fire Wards and turns that group's responsibilities over to the Board of Selectmen effective in March of 2024. Olsen said he is beginning the transition process now by sharing the same report with the BOS that he prepares for the Board of Fire Wards.

He distributed packets for the board members to review, which he said included reports on personnel, an update on the budget, a review of the ambulance billing service and activities the department has done for the community. It also included reports on the facilities, apparatus and maintenance, as well as any other budget issues, he said. In the future he would be working through the town administrator to bring this material to the board, Olsen said.

### PARTNERING WITH THE PUBLIC

#### Concerned with speeding vehicles on your roadway?

Reach out to us and ask to be added to our **Directed Patrol List!**

Patrol members maintain the list of specific locations where violations and crimes are expected. When time allows, we will be there to make our presence known!

To be added to the **Directed Patrol List** call 603-529-7755 and ask for Corporal Michael Muise or email him at: [michael.muise@wearepolice.com](mailto:michael.muise@wearepolice.com)



## School News



### John Stark Regional High School Fall Tryouts

**Cross Country:** Aug. 14 (JSRHS track), 6-7:30 p.m. Aug. 15 (Henniker Community School), 6--7:30 p.m. Aug. 17 (Weare Middle School), 6-7:30 p.m. Aug. 18 (John Stark track) 10--11:30 a.m. Contact Cross Country head coaches Christine Anderson at [christine.anderson@sau24.org](mailto:christine.anderson@sau24.org) and Joel Kress at [joel.kress@sau24.org](mailto:joel.kress@sau24.org).

**Field Hockey:** Aug. 14-16, 8-9 a.m. (JSRHS track for conditioning), 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. (tryouts on field hockey field). August 17-18, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. (practice on field hockey field). Aug. 19: Varsity jamboree at Souhegan High School; JV off. Contact Field Hockey Head Coach Dennis Pelletier at [dennis.pelletier@sau24.org](mailto:dennis.pelletier@sau24.org).

**Football:** Aug. 11, 4-7 p.m. Aug. 12, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Aug. 14-15, 4 p.m - 7 p.m. Aug. 16, team departs JSRHS at 9:30 a.m. for camp in Vermont. Contact Football Head Coach Ray Kershaw at [ray.kershaw@sau24.org](mailto:ray.kershaw@sau24.org).

**Golf:** Aug. 14-15 and Aug. 17-18 (tee times - 11 a.m. at Angus Lea Golf Course in Hillsboro). Golfers meet at the golf course. Contact Golf Head Coach, Denis Kolehmainen at [denis.kolehmainen@sau24.org](mailto:denis.kolehmainen@sau24.org).

**Soccer:** Boys start Aug. 14-16, 3:30 - 6 p.m. Aug. 17-Aug. 18, 3:45 - 5:15 p.m. Aug. 19 scrimmages at Mascoma. Contact Boys Soccer Head Coach Zachary Shedlock at [zachary.shedlock@sau24.org](mailto:zachary.shedlock@sau24.org). Girls start Aug. 14-16, 8-10 a.m. (session 1) and 4-6 p.m. (session 2). Aug. 17, home scrimmages, 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. Aug. 18, 8 - 10 a.m. Aug. 19, NHTI Jamboree (all day). Contact Girls Soccer Head Coach Eddie Marceau at [edmond.marceau@sau24.org](mailto:edmond.marceau@sau24.org).

**Girls Volleyball:** Aug. 14-16, 4-7 p.m. (JSRHS gym). Aug. 17-18, 3-5 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. (players will be informed on which time slot to attend on these dates). Contact Girls Volleyball Head Coach, Alisha Flanagan at [alisha.flanagan@sau24.org](mailto:alisha.flanagan@sau24.org).

*\*\*Register for John Stark fall sports at [johnstarkathletics.com](http://johnstarkathletics.com). All documents must be completed prior to participation. For more information please contact John Stark Athletic Director, Rodney Brown at [rodney.brown@sau24.org](mailto:rodney.brown@sau24.org).*

## Pack 24 Cub Scout News



Members of Pack 24 are shown at Camp Carpenter having used clues to find a special hidden black bat (courtesy photo).

By Alyssa Small

Pack 24 Cub Scouts have returned from their trip to Camp Carpenter in Manchester. Our Scouts were at camp from July 22-27, where they enjoyed swimming, archery, BB range, STEM activities, crafts and so much more. It was an exciting (and tiring) time for everyone. Thanks to the Pack leaders and parents for helping the Scouts have a great, memorable week.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, Pack 24 Cub Scouts hiked in the Kuncanowent Town Forest in Dunbarton where they learned about geocaching. It was a fun, local adventure with several surprises along the way.

The Cub Scout program is open to all boys and girls in grades K-5, and the Pack welcomes new members year-round. If anyone is interested in 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](mailto:matthew.bieler.bsa@gmail.com).

## New Campbell Fund Board Members

By Chris Hague

At the July 21 annual meeting of the Eleanor A. Campbell Charitable Fund Board of Directors, Jerry Little of Weare and Libby Dutton of Deering were confirmed as new board members.

Jerry Little and his wife Heidi moved to Weare in 2005. Educated in Concord schools and the University of New Hampshire, he worked in broadcast journalism and politics, followed by two decades of business trade association management. He served two years in the N.H. Senate and finally six years as State Banking Commissioner. Jerry also served on the Weare Public Library Foundation, as town and school district moderator and as a member of the Weare Capital Improvements Committee.

Libby Dutton lives on a farm owned by generations of Duttons in Deering. She is a graduate of Smith College and

holds a Masters Degree in Business Administration from Southern New Hampshire University. Libby has experience in higher education administration and is currently the Bursar at New England College. Her most significant role, she says, is bringing up three preschool age children in the family home.

Also at the annual meeting, outgoing board members Sara Carter and Don Johnson of Deering were recognized. Don served as a board member for over five decades, at one time its president. He was conferred emeritus status by unanimous vote.

As an example of how aid to education matters, Don received one of the first scholarships, given to him by Dr. Campbell herself. His education began in a one room schoolhouse. By the time he retired, he was a professor at New York University.

The Campbell board oversees funding and granting of scholarships to high school seniors and college students. While its namesake, Dr. Eleanor Campbell, began her charitable work almost a hundred years ago when she came to Deering and started a health clinic, the fund now includes public donations in its budget. In the fund's fiscal year just ended, community donations totaled over \$5,000. The board recognized with appreciation this valued giving. For details about scholarships and the fund's history see: <https://eleanorcampbellcharitablefund.org/>

## Weare Democrats News

By Connie Evans

In keeping with the Disney theme for 2023, the Weare Democrats' float was "Toy Story." Some work and great participation made it possible to win first prize. Dave Erikson built the frame for Andy's bedroom; Nancy Christian helped with the planning of the float; and Connie Evans



Painted the wall and made the signs that ran along both sides and the back. Suzanne Couhie helped with the signs. The actors were: Grant Spooner as "Woody;" Matt Hammond with son Dash as "Buzz Lightyear" and "Andy;" and Caitly Wasserman played "Jessie." Erin Couhie Wasserman was "Barbie" while her daughter, Rose, was "Rex" —until it got too hot to wear the dinosaur costume! Walkers handing out fruit gummies were Bev Cotton, Derek Winsor, Christine Marcroft, Bill Politt, Nancy Christian, David Erikson and Connie Evans. Thank you to the Weare Patriotic Committee for all their time and effort.

## Weare Public Library News

**Musical Memories**  
**JEOPARDY!**  
at the Weare Public Library  
Thursday  
**August 10**  
6:30 pm  
All ages  
wearepubliclibrary.com  
603-529-2044

Team up with other local music fans as you test your knowledge for fun and prizes!

Name the classic tunes from multiple categories like: the '60s, '70s, one hit wonders, and more!

### ADULTS

**Musical Memories Jeopardy.** Aug. 10 at 6:30 p.m. Team up with other local music fans as you test your knowledge for fun and prizes. Can you name the classic tunes from multiple categories like the '60s, '70s, one hit wonders, and more?

**Board game nights:** Fridays 5-8 p.m. Enter the Golden Age of board gaming! Meet, learn, and play with other enthusiasts. Choose from our collection or bring one of your own.

**Book Group.** Aug 23 at 7 p.m. We're reading "The Road" by Cormac McCarthy. Call to reserve your copy.

**Pinochle and cribbage.** Tuesdays at 2 p.m. Meet and play with other card game enthusiasts.

**Craft group.** Thursdays at 1 p.m. A new craft every week. Space is limited. Call to register.

### KIDS and TEENS

**Movie Matinee.** "The Super Mario Bros. Movie." Aug. 14 at 4 p.m. Join us for 2023's #1 film (so far). A plumber named Mario travels to the Mushroom Kingdom with his brother, Luigi, trying to save a captured princess. In the Sawyer Room with popcorn and lemonade.

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

**Scholastic Chess.** Tuesdays, 2-4 p.m. All kids are invited to jump in, learn logic and planning skills while they play. Upstairs, in the Paige Room.

**Video Gaming.** NEW TIME on Wednesdays (starting Aug. 16) 2 - 4:30 p.m. Challenge your friends with Smash Bros., Minecraft or other games. You can even check-out many of our games and take them home! Recommended for ages 6+. In the Sawyer Room.

**For events that require registration, call us at 603-529-2044.**

### WE ARE HIRING

#### Children's Assistant Librarian (Part-Time)

*Like kids? Like children's books? Enjoy arts and crafts? Want an entrance into the gratifying world of librarianship? This may be the experience for you!*

**Summary:** The Children's Assistant Librarian is responsible for general library routines in the Children's Room. He or she receives and checks-out library materials, shelves, and assists patrons. In addition, he or she assists the staff with library events and programs.

**Required Attributes:** Friendliness, flexibility, patience, and a desire for customer service.

**Preferred Experience:** Working with infants, children, and teens. A knowledge of children's literature and general computer applications.

**Minimal Education:** High School Diploma or GED

**Schedule:** Part-time. 2-3 weekdays for about 12 hours per week.

**Starting Salary:** \$13 per hour

**How to Apply:** Complete the application:  
[wearepubliclibrary.com/employment](http://wearepubliclibrary.com/employment)



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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 - Fri, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sat: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

603-529-4263 / facebook.com/hihsc.org

The last of the four-week **Fun with Arts and Crafts** class was Aug. 5. Stay tuned for the next session offered by Donna Carey.

Who doesn't like home-made ice cream? Betsy Harrington has volunteered to make ice cream at the Center on Wednesday, Aug. 9 at 1 p.m. Yum.

Join us for movie afternoon. "**Saving Mr. Banks**" reveals the surprising untold backstory behind the making of Mary Poppins. Starring Tom Hanks and Emma Thompson and directed by John Lee Hancock, this film is beautiful, heartwarming and sentimental. Join us at Hand in Hand Senior Center on Thursday, Aug. 17 at 4 p.m.

On Wednesday, Aug. 23 at 1 p.m. a representative from **Granite Visiting Nurses Association** will be at Hand in Hand Senior Center. Come and learn about programs that can be provided to our community. If you have topics or ideas that would benefit you and the community, or just want to learn more about wellness programs that Granite VNA offers, please join us. (See right for more information.)

Hand in Hand Senior Center continues to be blessed by generous people and businesses. Recently, **Stark House Tavern** has been helping us with in-kind donations.

We are striving as a senior center to provide activities for seniors in Weare. If you know of anyone who is interested in helping us develop programs that would interest seniors, please stop by, or give us a call. We aim to reach people from all walks of life and with a wide range of interests.

**WHAT'S FOR  
 LUNCH?**



Wednesdays 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Dine in, take out or free delivery.

**Aug. 9:** Lasagna with garden salad; rolls and butter

**Aug. 16:** Baked fish sandwiches; potato corn chowder; melon slices

**Aug. 23:** Jaegerschnitzel; German potato salad

**WHAT'S IN  
 THE SHOP?**



**August  
 Thrift Shop**

**BLOWOUT  
 SALE!**



**Clothing**

excludes purses and shoes



**WEDNESDAY AUG. 23, 1 p.m.**

Weare Senior Center. Presented by Shauna, a community health educator. Shauna's passion is promoting wellness through educational programs. She encourages active participation in aging by inspiring us that there is nothing we cannot do.

Come and learn about programs that Shauna will bring to our community. She also wants to hear about programs and ideas/topics that would interest you.

This presentation is offered at no charge and registration is not required. The VNA has offices in Concord and can be reached at 603-224-4093 or 800-924-8620 or [www.granitevna.org](http://www.granitevna.org)

## 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 Isabel! Female, Black Lab/Retriever/Fiest mix. Friendly, affectionate, gentle, playful, smart.

House trained. Vaccinations up to date, spayed, good with other dogs, cats and children. This beautiful girl enjoys going for walks, playing with other canines, and cuddling with humans. She truly loves everyone she meets!



Meet Elvis! Male, Terrier mix. Friendly, affectionate, loyal, gentle, playful, smart, funny, quiet. Vaccinations up to date, neutered, good with other dogs and children. This beautiful boy is happy, clownish, super sweet and cuddly! He LOVES everyone he meets and hopes his new family is ready to give him lots of snuggles and belly rubs!

He is great with other dogs and would love to have another dog to play with, but he'd be ok as an only pet as well. Elvis is house trained, crate trained and VERY intelligent! He is about three years old and weighs in at about 56 pounds. Elvis was found wandering the streets with his canine friend Elton, hungry, looking for some food and some kindness. He was subsequently adopted but the family's circumstances have changed and they're unable to have a dog in their new home.

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



### Tell Us About:

**Summer  
Vacation**

At the risk of sounding like your third grade teacher, what did you

do on your summer vacation? Or if it is still ahead of you, what are you planning to do? Did anything unusual happen? Did you take your pets? How did that work out? Did you learn a new skill? Rent some equipment?

Let us know. [weareintheworldnews@gmail.com](mailto:weareintheworldnews@gmail.com).



## Looking for Something to Do?

Compiled by Sharon Czarnecki



FREE EVERY TUESDAY EVENING / 6:30 – 8 p.m.  
Angela Robinson Bandstand, Community Park.  
*Rain location: community center.*

**Aug 15:**

**THE BAND:** Cold Chocolate (Folk, Funk, & Bluegrass)  
**SPONSORS:** Ayer & Goss Fuel

**Aug 22:**

**THE BAND:** Kotoko Brass (Brass & Drum Ensemble)  
**SPONSOR:** Pat's Peak



**Aug 9:** Emerson Park

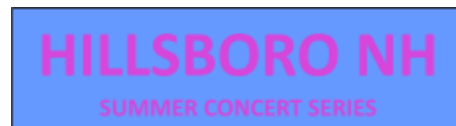
**THE BAND:** The Bel Airs (50's & 60's)

**Aug 16:** Emerson Park

**THE BAND:** Sheepdip Band (Classic Rock)

**Aug 23:** The Stage

**THE BAND:** Bedford Big Band (Concert)



**Aug 17:** Butler Park (Central & West Main Streets)  
7 p.m.

**THE BAND:** Morgan Nelson (Country, Folk, Bluegrass)

### Deering Community Faire

Saturday, Aug. 19, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

763 Deering Center Road

Food, arts and crafts vendors, raffles, children's games

*Sponsored by Deering Community Church Women's Guild*



## Squam Lake Nighthawks Lecture

A New Hampshire Endangered Species, By Rebecca Suomala of N.H. Audubon

Nighthawks are endangered in New Hampshire and declining throughout their range, but we don't know why. The dawn and dusk "peent" call of these birds was once a familiar sound in cities and towns throughout New Hampshire, where they nested on flat, pea stone gravel roofs and fed on insects attracted to city lights. The N.H. Audubon initiated Project Nighthawk in 2007 to investigate the potential for restoring nesting nighthawks by placing simple gravel "nest patches" on flat rooftops. Find out what we've learned about patches and nesting nighthawks, and see photos of nests and chicks. **Wednesday, Aug. 16, 6-7 p.m. Adults Only. No charge but registration required.** Go to [www.nhnature.org](http://www.nhnature.org).



## POETRY CORNER

### Hanging Grapes

A perfect day,  
just right warmth,  
sapphire sky,  
full sunshine,  
distant mountain  
so clear it looks  
like someone  
inked the outline,  
under the pergola  
green grapes hang down,  
barely move  
when breeze blows.

-Marge Burke

### Abundance

They began small in May,  
yellow daisies,  
purple petunias,  
flowing grape like leaves  
in burgundy planters,  
nourished by sun and rain,  
they flourish now to  
overflowing, mixed  
shades of green,  
abundant sight to see.

-Marge Burke



## Why We Love Living in NH

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



*Delicate flowers right beneath our feet (Sharon Czarnecki photo).*

## Mark Your Calendar

### Tuesday, Aug. 8

7 p.m. – Cable Committee meeting  
7 p.m. – Park & Recreation meeting

### Wednesday, Aug. 9

3:45 p.m. – Trustees of the Trust Funds meeting  
7 p.m. – Conservation Commission meeting  
7 p.m. – Weare Democrats meeting

### Thursday, Aug. 10

7 p.m. – Planning Board meeting

### Saturday, Aug. 12

**Old Home Day, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

### Tuesday, Aug. 15

6 p.m. – Board of Fire Wards meeting

### Wednesday, Aug. 16

6 p.m. – Ethics Committee meeting

### Friday, Aug. 18

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

### Monday, Aug. 21

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

### Wednesday, Aug. 23

6 p.m. – Ethics Committee meeting

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