



# Weare in the World

*For Weare Residents, By Weare Residents*

**September 28, 2022**



*WMS Librarian Jodie Antione and her niece, Abbie Degennaro, before a new mural outside the school library (courtesy photo).*

## New Mural Represents a Memorable African Trip

Weare Middle School Librarian Jodie Antione traveled to Kenya this summer with her daughter, spending six days in Kenya and visiting four different game reserves. Her niece, Abbie Degennaro, created a stunning mural on the WMS library window to represent what Antione saw in Kenya, so students can see what it's like in another country and to ask her about her trip. She has a small selection of photographs in the library for staff and students to look at and ask her questions.

"It is my way of being able to relive the trip over and over again," Antione said in a school release.

The "Harambee" on the front of the mural is Kenya's motto, meaning "we all pull together."

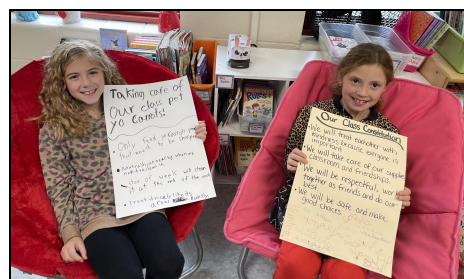
"I thought this represented what we do as a school community and would be an excellent tool for us to remember that we need to be there for each other," Antione said.

## CWES Third Graders Present Class Constitution

Rozalyn Fournier and Mia Fairhurst, both third grade students in Missy Descoteau's class at Center Woods Elementary School, presented at the September Weare School District Board meeting. The students talked about how their class developed a Class Constitution of rules and how an unusual class project fit with the district's "Portrait of a Learner" goals.

In building the Class Constitution, students created lists of hopes and dreams for learning in third grade and a list of class wishes. They also came up with a list of behaviors for a kind classroom, one where everyone feels important and respected.

During the creation of the class wishes, many students said they wanted a class pet. One student suggested that they could turn an object into a pet. Another student suggested the pencil sharpener could make a great class pet. See **CONSTITUTION**, page 2



*Mia Fairhurst and Rozalyn Fournier (courtesy photo).*



**"Talk" To Us**

**Frugal Fun**

**Deadline-Oct 7**

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October 1<sup>st</sup> is  
Frugal Fun Day

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These two very creative students ran with the idea and transformed the still functional pencil sharpener into a class pet bunny. Once the class pet was created everyone voted on its name ("Yo Carrots") and how they would take care of Yo Carrots.

Fournier and Fairhurst shared the Constitution and a list of how to take care of their pencil sharpener class pet with the Weare School Board during the week of Constitution and Citizenship Day, a day that commemorates signing of the U.S. Constitution on Sept. 17, 1787.

"These student-directed projects came from a place of learning," Descoteau said in a school release. "I could not be prouder of all of my students."

## Explore Girl Scouts



Come explore Girl Scouts on Tuesday, Oct. 4, from 6 to 7 p.m. at Center Woods School.

Girl Scouts follow their own convictions, take the lead in their own stories and explore all the extraordinary things they're capable of. Girls in grades K-12 and a caregiver are invited to learn about opportunities to get involved in our own community. Try out sample activities and see the many ways to get involved.

Can't make it to the event? Join anytime online at [girlscoutsgwm.org](https://girlscoutsgwm.org). With programs in the outdoors, entrepreneurship, STEM and life skills, girls have the space and support they need to grow so they can see themselves how we've always seen them.

Contact [customer care@girlscoutsgwm.org](mailto:customer care@girlscoutsgwm.org) or call 888-474-9686 for more information.

ALSO: Check out the Girl Scouts Expo at N.H. Sportsplex in Bedford on Sunday, Oct. 16 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Activities include climbing walls, Gaga ball, testing robots, visits with superheroes, a planetarium show, arrow shooting, painting and many more activities and exhibitions.

Tickets are available by calling 888-474-9686, or by visiting [bit.ly/GirlExpo2022](https://bit.ly/GirlExpo2022), and at the door. Advance purchases are appreciated.



## School News



More than 50 college and career representatives visited John Stark Regional High School on Sept. 20 to bring information directly to students about the many

opportunities available to them after graduation. This is the first in-person **"College and Career Day"** that has been held at the high school since the start of the pandemic.



*Melody Couturier, Elizabeth Hatfield and Lilleea Perkins visit a college admissions booth during the fair. Above, a New England College representative greets students (courtesy photos).*

On Sept. 29, John Stark Regional High School will host a **"Senior Night"** for parents/guardians of 12th grade students. Topics will include graduation, Capstone Projects, the college application process and post-secondary opportunities, among other things. Please join the JSRHS administration and the school counseling office in the JSRHS Cafeteria at 6 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

### Upcoming school dates:

**Open House:** WMS, Sept. 29

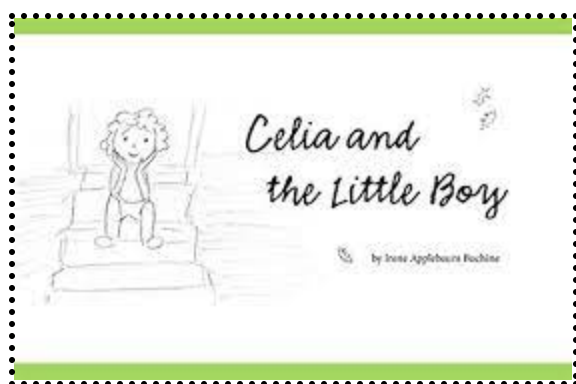
**No School:** Oct. 7 (teacher workshop day) and Oct. 10 (Columbus Day)

**Family Unified Arts Night:** CWES, Oct. 20





"Trunk or Treat" to be held at CWES. Sign up to be part of this event using the above QR code. Assistance with decorating or sweets available. Check out Weare Friends PTO for more information: <https://m.facebook.com/SAU24PTO/>



## Local Author Irene Buchine Featured on Mental Health Panel

By Sharon Czarnecki

TOPIC: Child and youth mental health

WHEN: Tuesday, Oct. 4, 6 to 8 p.m.

WHERE: Souhegan High School, 412 Boston Post Road, Amherst

Panelists include high school students. The event is free but registration is required. QR Code at: [forms.office.com/r/UJOY0c0nqB](https://forms.office.com/r/UJOY0c0nqB). Attendees receive a complimentary copy of the book, "Celia & the Little Boy," by Irene Buchine, a member of the Weare Area Writers' Guild. Seating is limited.

For questions, call 603-496-8660 or email [dchampagne@savechildren.org](mailto:dchampagne@savechildren.org).



## Weare Public Library News

# Coffee & Conversations

at the Weare Public Library

*Do you think the library is haunted?*  
Get into the spirit with coffee, treats, and a presentation by the host of the *Ghost Chronicles Radio Series* and co-author of three paranormal books.

with **Ron Kolek** of the **New England Ghost Project**

[wearepubliclibrary.com](http://wearepubliclibrary.com) 603-529-2044

**Thurs**  
**Oct. 13**  
**9:30 am**

## Upcoming Events

### For kids

**Gaming:** Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. and Fridays at 5 p.m. Challenge your friends with *Super Smash Bros. Ultimate*, *Fall Guys*, *Among Us*, or other classic video games OR play one of our board games OR you can bring one of your own. You can also check-out many of our games and take them home.

*These upcoming Fridays we'll feature board games with a Halloween-y theme:*

Sept 30: Ghost Fightin' Treasure Hunters / Zombie Dice

Oct 7: Horrified

Oct 14: Scooby Doo: Betrayal at Mystery Mansion / Campy Creatures

Oct 21: Mysterium / One Night Ultimate Vampire

Oct 28: Mansions of Madness

**Lego Robot League:** *We still have a few spaces.* For grades 4-8. Interested in robots, coding, and having fun? Join Weare's LEGO SUPERPOWERED team! Learn to complete missions by coding robots and creating a Renewable Energy Innovation Project. The team meets most Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Sawyer Room. Join by emailing Coach Celeste Smith at [celestial76@hotmail.com](mailto:celestial76@hotmail.com). This program is made possible through the support of the Friends of the Weare Library.

**Read with the Ruff Readers:** Wednesdays at 5 p.m. Read with friendly dogs! Call Ms. Karen at 603-529-2044 to sign-up.

**LEGO Club:** Mon, Oct 24 at 2:30 p.m. Show us what you can create with our big buckets of Legos!

### Join Ms. Karen for stories and songs!

**Baby & Toddler Stories & Playtimes:** Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. Ages birth-2.

**Pre-K Storytimes:** Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Ages 3-5.

### For adults

**Mahjong:** We're looking into starting a Mahjong group. Regardless of your skill level, if you're interested, call us at 603-529-2044.

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

**Book Group:** Wed, Oct 26 at 7 pm. We're discussing *Inheritance* by Dani Shapiro. Call 603-529-2044 to reserve your copy.

**Quilting with Donna:** Thursdays 1 to 3 p.m. Join Donna to make a table runner and learn other quilting techniques. *We still have a few spaces.* Call 603-529-2044 to sign-up.

**Coffee & Conversations: Ron Kolek of the New England Ghost Project:** Thursday, Oct. 13 at 9:30 a.m.. *Do you think the library is haunted?* Get into the spirit with coffee, treats, and a presentation by the founder and lead investigator of the New England Ghost Project, host of the *Ghost Chronicles Radio Series*, and co-author of three books on the supernatural. Kolek's team will also audit the library for paranormal activity.

## The Weare Area Writers Guild

By Sharon Czarnecki

Do you enjoy words? Maybe you like to write letters, or poems or would like to interview your grandmother. Maybe you planned a book you haven't touched in a while.

Come see what we are about. Bring something to read, or just come and listen to others. Our next meeting is Friday, Oct. 7 at the senior center in town: 33 Stark Highway from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To be put on our email list, contact me at [czar5@comcast.net](mailto:czar5@comcast.net)

If you are already a fan of our several published authors, you can buy our books at Amazon, local bookstores and the many area craft fairs. Below is a list of the next three we will be attending:

**Oct. 1:** Henniker Homemade & Homegrown

**Oct. 15 & 16:** Goffstown Pumpkin Regatta

**Nov. 5 & 6:** Lions Club Arts & Crafts Fair (*Mountain View Middle School, 41 Lauren Lane, Goffstown*)



## Handwork with Becky

Oct. 12, 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

116 Main St., Henniker

One Wednesday a month, you can join Becky and other interested handworkers for a relaxed gathering with conversation and working by hand on your own projects.

The session is free and you can come and go as you wish. Coffee and a homemade snack are provided.

All forms of handwork are welcome: piecing, applique, embroidery, quilting, even knitting and crochet. While no instruction is provided, the group welcomes all skill levels and happily shares tips and techniques.

Leave your sewing machines at home, bring your projects, your ideas, your thoughts and your questions about new techniques, and prepare to enjoy the slow, comfortable pace of handwork.

Note: Quilted Threads observes COVID-19 protocols in effect at the time of the gathering.



**Art, farms, food and music! 57 Main St., Henniker**



## SENIOR NEWS

### News From Senior Café

By Sue Canella and Tiffany Bowers

Many, many thanks to Mary Thomas for all of the wonderful meals she served at the center and best of luck with new endeavors.

#### Menu:

**Sept. 28:** Louisiana-style red beans and rice with cucumber / corn salad.

**Oct. 5:** TBD

**Oct. 12:** Meatballs over buttered noodles and roasted carrots and broccoli.

**Oct. 26:** Tuscan white bean soup and Irish soda bread with honey butter.

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.

<https://www.facebook.com/Hand.in.Hand03281/>



### Ya Never Know Thrift Shoppe

**Come see a selection of fall clothing, Halloween decorations and costumes!** Donations can be placed in the orange bin out front, or you can drop off during business hours: Tuesday - Saturday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. 33 North Stark Highway. Call 603-529-4263 or go to Facebook. Like us and share.

<https://www.facebook.com/ThriftyShopper03281>



### Tips for Caregivers

By Marge Burke

Had a rough day as a caregiver? Need to disconnect for a little while? Here are a couple of suggestions.



Get out your finger paints, let your fingers run wild with vivid colors and release all your stress onto the paper, the messier the better, as you let go of the rough day.

Or maybe you just need something quiet and soothing to help you disconnect. If so, get out your crayons and adult coloring book, find soft colors, peaceful ones, and just let the crayons flow on the paper, calming you. Maybe have a cup or chamomile tea handy at the same time.

Ten or fifteen minutes doing either of these options will do wonders for you.



### Capital Area Memory Cafe

City Wide Community Center  
14 Canterbury Road, Concord

First Thursday of Each Month  
2 - 3:30 p.m.

The Capital Area Memory Cafe is a monthly gathering of individuals living with memory impairment and their family/friends. This safe, supportive, and engaging environment provides an opportunity to be with others who understand and embrace the challenges of living with memory impairment.



In Collaboration With:

For more information, call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85815 or visit [www.granitevna.org](http://www.granitevna.org).

This program is offered at no charge. Registration is not required. Masks are strongly encouraged.

**Inclement Weather:** Capital Area Memory Cafe will be cancelled if Concord schools are closed.

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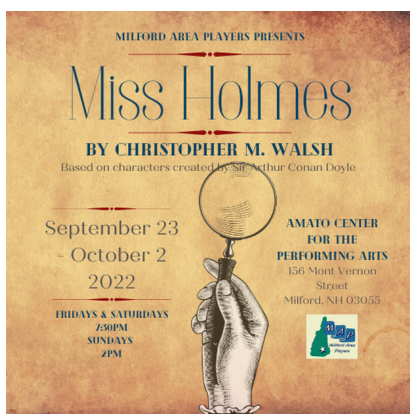


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## Milford Area Players

SAVE THE DATE! SEPT. 30, OCT. 1 & 2

**THE PLAY:** Inspired by the works of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, "Miss Holmes" re-examines the Victorian world of Holmes and Watson by exploring the added obstacles faced by these two iconic characters - if they were women. When an anonymous note sends a newlywed wife looking for help, Miss Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Dorothy Watson work together to uncover the secrets surrounding a corrupt police inspector. But, this Holmes and Watson face far greater challenges than bringing the criminal to justice. Miss Holmes possesses one of the greatest deductive minds of her generation, but she chafes at the restraints imposed upon her by society, and Dr Watson struggles to make a difference at the only hospital in London that will hire female doctors.



## Weare Garden Club

By Anne Wirkkala

The next meeting of the Weare Garden Club will be Oct. 4. We meet on the first Tuesday of the month in the Sawyer Room ( downstairs at the library) at 7 p.m. For more information about the garden club, contact [awirkkala@gsinet.net](mailto:awirkkala@gsinet.net) or call 603- 529-1234.



Also, from UNH Cooperative Extension, here is this local invasive plant Information. You've likely seen this highly invasive plant on roadsides and maybe even in your own backyard without realizing what it was! This is Japanese Knotweed, a fast-growing invasive plant that can grow up to eight centimeters a day in the spring. Controlling it before it spreads or does damage to driveways or your home can be critical. Learn how in this "Grow it Green" video! <https://unh.me/3enj0ID>. Other Japanese Knotweed resources: <https://unh.me/3RirU8N> and <https://unh.me/3RibuNZ>.



## Asked and Answered: Rock collections

### Stones

I have always walked this road. As a child  
I was conversant with birds, chipmunks,  
crickets in field grass. As an old woman,  
I focus on stones gathered into walls

or scattered here and there among mounds  
and depressions, at the base of trees  
dressed in fall hues. Little, large, boulders;  
elephantine erratics left by glaciers;

field rocks stacked into walls by generations  
of farmers long ago, later disrupted  
by weather and earth to totter,  
heave, and settle.

I choose a stone, hold and press it  
against my body, lean forward into the hill.  
Bearing this relic the present dulls,  
the past sharpens.

I find myself on the yellow school bus going past,  
little girl, gap-toothed like the walls, her face pressed  
against the window, peering at that old woman  
walking up the last rise.

-*Sylvia Beaupre*

## A Family Mystery and a Mica Mine

By Connie Evans

During a trip to Gettysburg National Park, I was able to register my great-grandfather, Charles E. Kellogg, as a Commissary Sergeant in the 20th Connecticut Infantry. Just one "great"—hard to believe in 2022, but it's true. I submitted his photograph, taken during the Civil War, and included my email as a contact. Shortly afterwards, I received an unexpected email that would lead to a big surprise and an astounding coincidence.

Basically, the email identified Charles as having been the first owner of the rights to a mica mine, The Pegmatite Mines, known as Palermo, in North Groton, N.H. The gentleman writing to me wanted my permission to use Charles's photograph as he appeared in the Gettysburg archives for a book he was writing about the mine. What? There must have been some

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error. This tidbit about Charles certainly would have come up at least once or twice at the dinner table. Being the youngest sibling, nine years younger than my oldest brother, I felt certain he would know something about it. He is the family historian after all.



*Charles E. Kellogg*

Nothing. My brother David hadn't heard a word about this mica mine. We had many questions, and the ones who could answer them were deceased. Charles lived in Hartford, Conn. after the war and worked with his brother as a lithographer; what was he doing with a mica mine? Then I remembered my grandmother had a rock embedded with sheets of mica that she used as a doorstop. No one ever mentioned it or referred to it, yet it must have come from the mine.

Mica is durable, flexible, transparent, and heat resistant, making it very versatile and suitable for many 19th century products: faceplates in stoves; spectacles; ship compasses; and insulation for electric wires. As the industry for electricity grew, mica was in high demand. It played an important part during World War II and was used in radio tubes for radar and communication equipment. Was Charles a visionary?

The gentleman who made the request did not have any idea where I was living. All he had was my name and email address. I could be residing in Alaska or a foreign country for all he knew. What a surprise for both of us to find we each lived in Weare! Bob Whitmore is the current owner of the rights. After getting my permission to show Charles in his uniform, he then was able to complete the history of the mine in a remarkable book listing the hundreds of minerals, with illustrations, found on the property.

Bob graciously allowed us to explore the mine, entering from twisting dirt roads crowded by thick vegetation. Cars had to be left behind and we trudged half a mile or more on a trail with a warning posted about bears. How did Charles discover the mine in 1878 if we had a hard time finding it in the 21st century? Our first and subsequent visits were all bright, sunny days. Coming into the area was breath-taking. It was as if we had stumbled onto the land of the fairies. Glitter

everywhere! We saw remnants of wooden extraction devices inside one dug out cave that workers used more than a century ago. My extraction device was a backpack. The walk back to the car was difficult but worth it; my garden glitters, too! We are so grateful Bob revealed this mysterious part of our ancestor's life!



## POETRY CORNER

### Deep Fog

Day is dimmed  
by deep fog  
trees ghostly  
in appearance,  
motionless  
silence fills  
the air, all  
is quiet.

*-Marge Burke*

### Flowers of Fall

They appear everywhere,  
every other fall,  
in people's yards,  
along the roadside,  
where there is a spot,  
replacing daffodils,  
and summer blooms,  
the flowers of fall,  
plastic rectangles,  
called campaign signs, up  
for the fall primary.

*-Marge Burke*





There is no charge for ads posted here.  
It is a free public service for the Town of Weare.

### HELP WANTED

#### Country 3 Corners: Why not work locally?

#### **Convenience Store – Cashier, Deli, Stocking, Cleaning**

Full time and part time; various shifts; flexible hours. Must be 16 years or older. Benefits for full time employees **To Apply:** Stop into the store at 833 S. Stark Highway for an application. 603-529-7539 convenience store X2; hardware X3.



### Volunteers Needed!

#### Ya Never Know Thrift Shop

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! Looking for cleaning help and customer service help. Flexible hours and a 30% discount. Stop in and see how we operate. Tuesday - Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 33 North Stark Highway. Call 603-529-4263 (Leave a message anytime.)

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## **Mark Your Calendar**

### **Monday, Oct. 3**

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

### **Tuesday, Oct. 4**

7 p.m. – Weare Garden Club meeting

7:30 p.m. - Weare Zoning Board meeting

### **Wednesday, Oct. 5**

6 p.m. - Mildred Hall Advisory Committee meeting

### **Thursday, Oct. 6**

7 p.m. – Public Library Trustees meeting

### **Monday, Oct. 10**

6 p.m. - Board of Firewards meeting

### **Tuesday, Oct. 11**

7 p.m. – Park & Recreation meeting

### **Wednesday, Oct. 12**

4:15 - Trustees of the Trust Fund meeting

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

7 p.m. – Conservation Commission meeting

7 p.m. – Weare Democrats meeting