### Pillsbury Free Library, Warner, NH ~ November 30, 2023



**PILLSBURY FREE LIBRARY** Warner, New Hampshire

Hours Mon. 10 am -12 & 1-5 pm Tues 9 am - 12 & 1 - 8 pm

Tues. 9 am - 12 & 1 - **8** pm Wed. 1 - 5 pm Thurs. 9 -12 & 1 - **6** pm Saturday 9 am - 2 pm



The library is open for walk-in use with no mask. You can also borrow books by phone 603-456-2289, email, or by placing holds from the website catalog at https://warner.lib.nh.us

## Local News from Your Library

Sent to over 1020 contacts! 70% opened last week! (do you open YOURS?) See past issues at <u>https://www.warner.lib.nh.us/library-info/library-news/</u>.

**NEXT ISSUES**: Submit current news and events In brief text please to **Newsletter@library.warnerNH.gov** by Tues. Dec. 5, for Thurs. Dec. 7 issue.

### **Town & School news**

Reminder: Property taxes due by Dec. 5.

Christmas Day Holiday: all Warner Town departments including the Library will be closed on Monday Dec. 25. KRSD - no school Dec. 25 - Jan. 1

Planning Board Meeting Monday, December 4, 7:00 – 10:00pm Select Board Meeting Tues., Dec.5, new start time 5:00pm Conservation Commission Wednesday, December 6, 7:00 – 8:00pm

The Town's Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Committee has a survey to gather YOUR experiences and ideas. <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com</u> /<u>r/WarnerNH-HazMit</u> .Ppaper copies available at the library, Church, Bank and Town Hall. The Committee's next meeting will be Wed. December 13, 2023, from 9:30-11:30 AM

Town Agendas (with Zoom Link) can be found at <u>https://warner.nh.us/agenda/</u> <u>https://WarnerNH.gov/calendar</u> Subscribe to Town notices +/or alerts: warnerNH.gov/keep-in-touch Warner's Department of Public Works is hiring! CDL drivers especially wanted. Call 603-456-3366

Send Photos of Warner weather impacts from 2019 -2023 to emd@warnerNH.gov

Kearsarge Regional School District 2024 Calendar available <u>HERE</u> www.facebook.com/KearsargeSAU65

The Kearsarge Regional School District Announces Mr. John Fortney as the new Superintendent of Schools starting July 1, 2024. https://www.facebook.com/photo

Worried about taxes? Pay attention to School and Town Budget discussions BEFORE the votes happen: **KRSD School Board Meeting** Thu, December 14, 6:30pm – 8:30pm **KRSD Budget Deliberative Session**Saturday, January 6, 2024 9:00am KRSD www.nhmunicipal.org/understandingnew-hampshire-property-taxes

The NHSTA (New Hampshire Student

**The Warner Police Department** has an opening for a full-time officer position. Apply /see more at **PoliceApp.com** 

**Fall Festival Board (**Sugar River Bank) Wednesday, December 6, 6:00 – 7:30pm **Warner River Local Advisory Comm.** Wed., Dec. 6, 7:00 – 9pm (at library) Transportation Association) has requested that districts contact parents to **share their experiences with bus transportation** to and from their children's school. You can complete the voluntary, brief **survey** here: https://www.surveymonkey.com /r/P559SLY

Friday, December 1, 2023 is the last day to file amended permanent application for tax exemption or credit **if person has changed residence**. [RSA 72:33, II]





It takes a village... the annual **Festival of Trees display** at Town hall will be ready for viewing from Saturday, Dec. 2 through New Year's Day thanks to a lot of of help from volunteers who set up the trees and decorated the Main Hall, and a dozen Warner non-profits who have decorated individual trees for community enjoyment. Stop in and enjoy!

## Warner HomeTown Holiday

# Saturday December 2, Warner HomeTown Holiday & Shop Local day Inside Town Hall

**Festival of Trees**: lighted tree display, decorated by local non profit groups 9 am - 2 pm **Holiday Farmer's Marke**t, lower level **Vendors** can contact **Shannon** at ridleyhollowfarm@gmail.com to reserve a space.

11 am **Gingerbread Man** by Kearsarge Conservatory of the Performing Arts, (KCPA) 2 pm **Photos with Santa** 

#### Elsewhere in Warner Friday and Saturday:

9:30-1 Make and take craft in the Library Children's Room

10 to 4 **Warner Historical Society** will have **artisans**, and **Friday night** Dec. 1 will be open from 5 to 7 Wine and light appetizers will be offered.

**Family Closet Thrift Store** will be open Saturday, December 2 - 50% off fleece, blazers and sweaters, 25% off coats, 30% off blankets & quilts! **Toys, games and puzzles available**. Purchases support the Warner Food Pantry.

**MainStreet BookEnds** will have local authors in the Gallery with their latest books; David Elliott (10 am to noon), Jack Noon (noon to 2 pm) and Matt Forrest Esenwine (2 to 4 pm)

#### **Open Studios:**

BeeZink at 57 Kearsarge Mtn Rd.

Carolyn's Glass 86 East Joppa Road.

**Discerning Eye** 20% off end of season sale, 10 am - 3 pm Kearsarge Mtn Rd **Buttonwood Shop Extended holiday hours:**11-7 on **Friday 12/1** and **10-4 on Saturday**  12/2. Be entered to win a \$20 gift certificate.

Visit the NH Telephone Museum and Fire Fighter's Museum, or The Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum .

Caroling! (weather permitting)

Midday near Town Hall: GearUp Homeschoolers caroling.

**4:30 pm - holiday A Cappella carols** with "Nice & Naughty", Peg Chaffee & Cheryl Sager at the **MainStreet Warner Lodge** (formally the Masonic Lodge).

**7:30 PM An Advent Festival** of <u>Nine Lessons & Carols</u> at Chapel of Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Magdalen College of the Liberal Arts, Kearsarge Mtn Rd. **Food!** 

2-4 pm. **Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser at the Indian Museum**. Spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, salad, and dessert! Vegetarian options will be available. Stop by to either eat in person or bring your containers for take out!

Or enjoy seasonal specials at our **local restaurants**; The Local, Reed's North, Charlie Mac's Pizzaria, and Cafe One East!

## Shop Local, Give Local

At **Cafe One East**, It's the season of giving! Bring a **donation for the Warner Area Food Pantry** in December and receive **a coupon for half off** your drink at the cafe!

Red Cross Blood Drive, at United Church of Warner, Friday, December 8, 12 - 5 pm.

Reuse, reduce, recycle, rethink, refuse, repair: Save the planet (and your \$\$)

- Sign up for the local <u>Buy Nothing</u> Facebook group and share/get items for free.
- Visit the Warner Historical Society's pop-up Barn Sale -see dates elsewhere
- or the <u>Warner Indoor Flea Market</u> at 139 Kearsarge Mountain Road, open year round on Saturdays (8am to 3pm) and Sundays (8am to 2pm),
- or the **American Legion Indoor flea market** in Contoocook, 169 Bound Tree Rd, 8 am- 12 pm Dec. 9 & 23 (2nd and 4th Saturdays through April).

## Warner Country Life

**Tired of poor access to Internet, or lack of choices?** There is funding for **Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD)**. The plan is **open for public comments** now. <u>https://www.nheconomy.com/office-of-broadband-initiatives/iija/bead</u>. The aim of NH's BEAD initiative is, to the extent humanly possible, to bring affordable broadband to every street address in New Hampshire – **your questions, recommendations and concerns** will be invaluable to help Mission Broadband and DBEA's Office of Broadband Initiative to make this plan as robust as possible.

Do you have photos of **natural disasters and severe weather events** (including drought damage) occurring from 2019 to 2023? Please send to Ed Mical, <u>emd@warnerNH.gov</u> to help document the events for the 5 year update to Warner's Hazard Mitigation Plan. Include location, date and photographer credit please. (if uncertain of date it is usually in the photo file information so we can figure that out.)

## Warner Music, Crafts and Authors

**Kearsarge Conservatory of the Performing Arts: THE GINGERBREAD MAN** Warner Town Hall Saturday December 2nd 11:00 am. This beloved Children's Theatre production adapted by Angela Tarleton has delighted families for nearly 40 years with hilarious and yet very touching moments. With music written by Kim Nichols, and Angela Tarleton you will find yourself singing along! This is a free Family fun event Sponsored by KCPA & Sugar River Bank!

**Tavern Nights** at **Reed's North**: Saturdays -This week: **Dec. 2**, . **Bill Coffill** plays 2:30 - 5:30 pm. **Brian Walker** Music 6 to 9. Cocktails featuring hot drinks

**Open Mic (Music) at Cafe One East,** Tuesday Dec 12. signups at 6:00pm, performances 6:30-8pm.

**Open Mic** Music every other Wed.night at **Sweet Beet,** 7:30 - 9pm at 11 West Main St. in Bradford! **Wed.** Dec. 13, etc. For more info email 11westmainbradfordnh@gmail.com.

**Warner Writers Group** with David Elliot will read selections of their writings at Cafe One East on Thurs. Dec 14. Please arrive to order coffee 6-6:30, readings begin at 6:30 pm.

The **Warner Historical Soc. Barn Sale** is having **Holiday Pop-Up sales** at the Upton Chandler House Museum (10 W Main St, Warner) from 9 am to noon on Saturday, Dec. 9, **Sunday**, Dec. 17, and **Saturday**, December 23.

Stop by Barn Sale Pop-Ups **Sat. Dec. 2** to shop a special selection of **Barn Sale holiday items** and merchandise from the Warner Historical Society Museum Store. Maple syrup and baked goods from Courser Farms and items from local artisans will also be available.

## @ Your Library



Warner 4-H Club and the Pillsbury Free Library teamed up to provide "Sew and Take" activities for all ages and levels of ability (youths must be accompanied by adult).

Wed. December 6 at 6:30 pm: Make re-usable, fabric gift wrap to jazz up gift,s cloth pot-holders, or napkins (to go with your placemats!)! To sign up call 603-456-2289 or go to <u>https://signup.com</u> /go/tYuDwRf

Many thanks to volunteers Susan Jenna (4-H Club leader), Marcia Moyer and others who provide help with basic sewing skills on portable sewing machines. This FREE event will be at the library. Supply your own fabrics or take a chance on donated fabric and materials, to make useful items that also reduce plastic and other waste! More helpers and ironing boards/irons welcome.



We will also provide instructions for easy **fabric gift wrapping** technique called **Furoshiki**. All you need is a square of fabric, hemmed if needed. (camera distorted that fabric square shown). Endlessly reusable.

Find the most recent audio and ebooks purchased for Overdrive: nhdbooks.blogspot.com

Library Book Group will meet Wed. December 13 at 1:30 pm to discuss *The Deal of a Lifetime by Fredik Backman.* All welcome. Copies are available at the library.

**Warner Writer's Group** with David Elliott will not meet at the library in December: There will be readings at **Cafe One East** December 14. Public welcome. (Order coffee at 6!).

Check out the beautiful library **stained glass notecards** at the bottom of this newsletter - great simple gifts, or stock up for thank yous after the holiday season!

### We Recommend

#### **NH Telephone Museum**

https://www.nhtelephonemuseum.org and Warner Firefighter's Museum December hours: NHTM Tues. and Sat. 10am to 4pm, Firefighters' Museum Tues. and Sat. 10am - 3pm.

#### Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum's

Open Saturday Dec. 2, then by appointment in Dec- April.

#### McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery

<u>Center</u> Now open WED- Sunday and vacation weeks 10:30 AM-4 PM. See <u>starhop.com</u> for show schedules (additional \$6 per person). Ask the library for a free pass! <u>Super Stellar Fridays</u>: 1st Fridays

#### The Currier Museum of Art in

Manchester <u>currier.org</u> is open Wed-Sunday. 1/2 price with pass. **Memory Cafe,** 1st Wed. of each Month: next session, **December 6** 

#### Museum of Fine Arts in Boston: www.mfa.org/exhibitions

New exhibit Oct. 10: *Fashioned by Sargent* (\$discount with library passtimed entry- book tickets NOW!) For the promo-code "pass" discount at MFA, call 603-456-2289.

#### Teen Reading!

Check out some our **newest great** Teen titles <u>Here</u>!

It's never too early to cozy up with <u>Christmas movies on DVD</u>, and we also have Christmas craft and cooking books as well as cozy <u>Christmas</u> <u>stories.</u>

If you need a **warm place to hang out**, the library has comfortable seating, tables, games, toys, magazines, newspapers and books, and free wifi!

Listen to an interview with author **Michael Cunningham**, about his newest book, <u>Day</u>, on **NHPR**'s <u>Authors on Main Series</u>.

Humanities@Home program: The War in Gaza and Israel: Background and Context Friday, December 1 at 5:00 pm on Zoom (Free and open to the public) Dr. Tarek El-Ariss of Dartmouth College leads a discussion about the Middle East, providing historical background and political context for the crisis involving Israel, Palestine, and Hamas. <u>Registration here</u>

### Warner Business

**Reed's North** is now holding **Saturday Tavern Nights** from 6-9 (check FB for weekly details). **New Sunday hours: 10 to 2 with Brunch Menu**. Menu is now posted at <u>https://www.facebook.com/reedsnorth</u>

The Local is open 11 am - 8 pm Tues-Sat. facebook.com/TheLocalWarner

**Buttonwood Shop News**: New curated **gift boxes** feature hand-selected artisan goods, sweetly wrapped with a personalized card. Direct shipping is available. Find details at <u>buttonwoodshop.com</u> or visit at 11 E Main St. Now offering evergreen + winterberry table arrangements from <u>Green Hill Farm</u> in addition to gifts and goods from local and independent artists and businesses.

Hours: Weds 1-4, Thursday 11-6 (Closed Thanksgiving), Friday 11-5, Saturday 11-4.

Warner Public Market has announced in a member newsletter it is looking for potential buyers to assume the operations, due to owners' schedules and manager changes. WPM will be open normal hours through the end of the year.

They will also continue to help facilitate and fundraise for the <u>Simonds snack program</u>. More information about the business opportunity <u>HERE</u>

Christmas Trees! Available at Warner Aubuchon and on the lawn of Cafe One East. Evergreen arrangements from Green Hill Farm available at <u>Buttonwood Shop</u>.

### Miss Sue's News (for Kids)

New Children's Items in our catalog: <u>September</u>, <u>October</u>, <u>November</u> <u>STEM KITS</u> <u>NATURE KIT backpacks</u> filled with durable folding identification guides!



**Preschooler Story times** with Miss Sue are held every **Thursday at 10:30** am - stories, songs, fingerplays, and a craft. This program is held in the library's Children's Room.



Saturday, December 2nd is Warner's Hometown Holiday. Miss Sue will have a "Make and Take" craft available in the library from 9:30-1:00.

Miss Sue has all the <u>holiday</u> books and DVD's out for your enjoyment!





<u>The Legend of Sleepy Hollow</u> is the next play being put on by the Library Book Nook group. Come **get a copy of the script**, **and sign up** for a small part, large part or to be on the stage crew. Please contact Miss Sue--- Tryouts for large parts is **December 13th**, **3-5:00**.

Remember that the library has <u>passes to</u> <u>Museums</u>

### Warner Youth

**4th Annual Teen Writing Contest**, sponsored by the Center for the Arts is open to all writers between the ages of 12 and 18 and who live in Andover, Bradford, Danbury, Grantham, New London, Newbury, Newport, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner, or Wilmot. Categories: short fiction, poetry, and creative nonfiction. **Deadline December 15**, 2023 for submissions. <u>https://centerfortheartsnh.org/teen-writers</u>

Looking for gift ideas for books for kids? Try some of the titles on these lists: <u>https://www.sciencefriday.com/segments/science-books-for-kids-2023/</u> Or how about a signed book by a local author? Look at MainStreet BookEnds, and even better, get it personalized **on Dec. 2** by the author(s) in the Gallery: **David Elliott** (10 am to noon), **Jack Noon** (noon to 2 pm) and **Matt Forrest Esenwine** (2 pm to 4 pm).

Kearsarge Regional Elementary schools have started a Mentor program in partnership

with Winsor County Mentors. Please Sign up to be a mentor! Call: 802-674-5101 email: <u>info@wcmentors.org</u> Help build a child's confidence, reduce anxiety, and assist a child in learning how to overcome obstacles and challenges.

### **Health and Helping Hands**

Warner Area Food Pantry has a new Facebook page where they will be posting requests and news. <u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553264195575</u>, and a web page <u>https://www.warnerconnectsnh.org</u>

Merrimack County Community Action has office hours in Warner at 49 W. Main Street next to the Family Closet Thrift Store. Public hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. Stop by for assistance with Energy costs and other help.

**Welfare Office** Please email [<u>welfare@warnernh.gov</u>], stop in, or call [603-456-2298 Ext 1229] with questions, concerns, or need.

**Applications are in the plastic tub labeled 'Welfare'** in the front of the Town Hall - this area is open and accessible 24 hours a day.

**Property Taxes** - If you are behind, due to COVID related reduction in income or increase in household expense, consider applying to **NH's Homeowner Assistance Fund**. It must be done online by December 14: but the assessing clerk can help if needed. <u>https://homehelpnh.org/homeowner</u>

Assessing Clerk Hours: Monday 8-4, Tuesday 8-6, Wednesday 8-4. assessing@WarnerNH.gov, or call [603-456-2298 Ext 1223.

Property tax Exemptions/Credits available through the Assessing office:
Blind or Deaf Exemption - <u>PA-29</u> with supporting documents
Veteran's Tax Credit - <u>PA-29</u> with DD214
Disabled Veteran's Tax Credit - <u>PA-29</u> with supporting documents
Solar/Wind System Exemption - <u>PA-29</u>, Solar Worksheet, supporting documents
Elderly Exemption - <u>PA-29</u>, Elderly Packet, supporting documents
Preservation Easement (often known as a Barn Easement) - <u>PA-36-A</u>, Packet, supporting documents

**COAT DRIVE** – Needed: Warm & Wearable Coats for Food Pantry Clients and sale in the store, for all ages. **Drop off during store hours.** Gloves & Snowpants are also needed. **The Family Closet Thrift Store** now carries YARN and FABRIC for your Christmas Projects. Toys and puzzles, sale on sweaters, bedding this week. Open Wed. and Sat. 10:00-4:00 49 W. Main Street, Warner. 603-456-2183 <u>familyclosetwcnh@gmail.com</u>

The Season of Giving: Please consider Warner Area Food Pantry in your end of year giving plans. Your monetary donation allows us to provide meats, fresh fruits and vegetables, egg, whole grain bread and hygiene products to families with needs in our area. Community support has always been integral to achieving this mission and we thank you for your continuing generosity. Please make your donation payable to Warner Area Food Pantry, P.O. Box 402, Warner, NH 03278. Or drop it off at the pantry during office hours. Our 501c3 status assures that your monetary donations are tax deductible. Client Hours: TUESDAY 4:00-6:00 & THURSDAY 11:00-1:00 Office Hours: TUESDAY, Wed, Thur 10 am – 3 pm

#### Calling all Cookie Bakers and Cookie Deliverers:

Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners (KNP) is having a giant cookie party - baking up a storm and then delivering them to neighbors in our own Kearsarge Community. **Details:** Let us know if you'd like to participate in any or all of the following ways and we'll pass along more specific details: Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners <u>contact@knpnh.org</u>

**Bake Cookies -** you bake them and **drop them off** at the First Baptist Church in New London between **8-12 on Dec. 8** or by 8:45 am on Dec. 9 **Bag Cookies -** Dec. 9 from 9-10 am. Card writers also needed. **Pick up Cookies to deliver-** Dec. 9 at 10:30 am

**Don't throw away** "expired" COVID test kits! Check the extended dates at the FDA site: <u>https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/coronavirus-covid-19-and-medical-devices/home-otc-covid-19-diagnostic-tests#list</u>

**New Covid 19 vaccines** can be taken by anyone 6 months and older, whether or not you have had a previous shot. <u>www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2023/09/13/1198803134</u> /covid-boosters-updated-vaccines-fda-cdc

You can order **one set of 4 free at-home** individual rapid antigen COVID-19 tests again. Limit of one order per residential address. Orders will ship free starting October 2, 2023. <u>https://special.usps.com/testkits</u>. Tests may show "expired" dates on the box, but **FDA has extended those dates**; <u>see the full list of extended expiration dates</u>

We have a few At-Home Covid-19 Test Kits at the Library. If you are unable to get to a medical facility for a test, ask the staff for a test kit. Also, we have masks, for families, businesses or non-profits, including youth size masks.

If you need to speak to someone immediately about a **mental health concern or crisis** or if someone you know is experiencing a mental health emergency, please:

\* Call or **text the New Hampshire Rapid Response Access Point** at 833-710-6477 or visit <u>www.NH988.com</u> to chat with a trained professional.

\* Call 911 or go to the nearest Emergency Room.

\* Reach out to Crisis Text Line: Text HOME to 741741

NH Suicide Prevention Hotline: Call 1-800-273-8255

\* Call or text Crisis Center of Central NH (domestic violence) 866-841-6229

\* Call NH Addiction Crisis Line: Call 1-844-711-4357

#### Other Online Event listings: Things to do or view

warner.lib.nh.us/warner-events-calendar, nh365.org, visitnh.gov, kearsargecalendar.com nhhumanities.org/programs/upcoming, centerfortheartsnh.org Arts calendar facebook.com/NHMusicCollective/

### Warner Outdoors & Environment

The 6 R's: Rethink, Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repair

**NexTREX stretchy plastic recycling** progress report: we have officially collected **354 pounds**! Well on our way to meeting the 1000# goal by August to win a bench for Simonds School. Clean **plastic bags and stretchy film** can be brought to the library or the School. MAny thanks to Judy Pellettieri of the Circle of Friends of the library who is handling the weighing and reporting, and taking it to the Market Basket transportation point.

NOTE: PLEASE don't go out of your way to request plastic to help this project! The idea is to reduce/divert waste plastic!

**Indoor pickleball** at Simonds School, **Mondays and Fridays 6:30 - 8 pm** except when school is **not available** (e.g. not **Dec 8)**. Sign up on the TeamReach app to see updates and who is coming! Use WarnerNHPB, code WPB21 to join group in the app.

# **Library Meetings**

Library Trustee meetings include the Monthly Board Meeting on the third Tuesday of each month (at 6:30 pm, in person) Various Committee meetings, some that meet monthly, vary in meeting schedules.

Trustee meetings are published 24-48 hours in advance on the <u>Warner Events Calendar</u>. Approved minutes are published on the <u>Trustee Meetings page</u>.

## Your Donations Keep Library Services Strong!



Buy plants, cards or just Donate Contributions to the library may be <u>donated online</u>, mailed to P. O. Box 299, Warner NH 03278 or put in the book drop!

Stained glass theme "Thank You" cards (3 for



\$5), or other non-specific library stained glass cards (5 for \$10), pictured here. Buy online and/or Call 603-456-2289 to arrange for pickup.



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