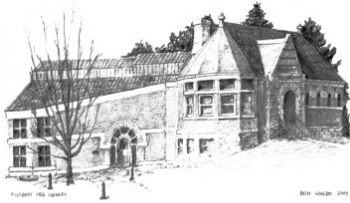


## Pillsbury Free Library, Warner, NH ~ December 07, 2023



**PILLSBURY FREE LIBRARY**  
Warner, New Hampshire

### Hours

Mon. 10 am -12 & 1- 5 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! **66%** opened last week! (do you open YOURS?)  
See past issues at <https://www.warner.lib.nh.us/library-info/library-news/>.

**NEXT ISSUES:** Submit current news and events In brief text please, to [Newsletter@library.warnerNH.gov](mailto:Newsletter@library.warnerNH.gov) by Tues. **Dec. 12, for Dec. 14** issue.

## Town & School news

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

**Agricultural Commission Meeting**  
Monday, December 11·7:00 – 8:00pm  
**Selectboard Meeting - budget**  
Tuesday, December 12·5:00 – 6:00pm  
**Precinct Commissioners**  
Wednesday, December 13·3:30 – 4:30pm  
**Zoning Board Meeting**  
Wednesday, December 13·7:00 – 8:00pm  
**Budget Committee**  
Thursday, December 14·7:00 – 8:00pm  
**Housing Advisory Committee**  
Thursday, December 14·7:00 – 8:00pm

**Town Agendas** (with Zoom Link) can be found at <https://warner.nh.us/agenda/>  
<https://WarnerNH.gov/calendar>  
**Subscribe to Town notices +/-or alerts:**  
[warnerNH.gov/keep-in-touch](https://warnerNH.gov/keep-in-touch)

**The Warner Police Department** has an opening for a full-time officer position.  
Apply /see more at [PoliceApp.com](https://www.warnerNH.gov/police)

**Warner's Department of Public Works**

**Kearsarge Regional School District**  
2024 Calendar available [HERE](#)  
[www.facebook.com/KearsargeSAU65](https://www.facebook.com/KearsargeSAU65)

**The Kearsarge Regional School District:** Want to discuss/hear about the budget amount being presented for a March vote (over 54 million)? Attend School Board December 14 and the **KRSD Budget Deliberative Session** Saturday, **January 6, 2024** 9:00am KRSD at Kearsarge Regional High School, 457 N Rd, North Sutton  
[www.nhmunicipal.org/understanding-new-hampshire-property-taxes](https://www.nhmunicipal.org/understanding-new-hampshire-property-taxes)

Read about recent NH Superior Court rulings about **school funding fairness:**  
[newhampshirebulletin.com/2023/11/20](https://newhampshirebulletin.com/2023/11/20)  
To be continued at NH Supreme Court?

The NHSTA (New Hampshire Student 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>

is hiring! CDL drivers especially wanted.  
Call 603-456-3366

[/r/P559SLY](#)  
STA needs more bus drivers!

**Town Administrator** hiring process: The first round of interviews will, hopefully, be held the week of 12/11. **The application period will stay open until the position is filled.**

The Town's **Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Committee** has a survey to gather YOUR experiences and ideas. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WarnerNH-HazMit> .Paper 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. All welcome **Budget committee** meeting **Thursday Dec. 14**, 7 pm will include: Review of Budget Totals, Operating Budgets & CIP Budget Requests for Warner Village Water District, Police Department, Fire Department, and Emergency Management.

NH Presidential Primary: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM. The Presidential Primary will be held at the Warner Town Hall on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Volunteers needed to be **Ballot Counters** after Warner's 2024 Elections: **Presidential Primary (Jan. 23)**, March Elections, September Primary and November General Election. Must be a registered Warner voter with Supervisors of the Checklist. Ballots are counted by hand at close of each Election starting at 7 pm and continue until all ballots are counted. Voter turnout determines how long into the evening counting may take. Please call or visit town Clerk's office to sign up or email [kathy.carson50@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.carson50@gmail.com).

## Shop Local!



While you are out shopping in Warner, stop in the Town Hall to see the beautiful **Festival of Trees** display, open 8am - 7pm every day until January 2, 2024. The 12 trees were decorated by Warner non-profit organizations after being set up by volunteers.

A special thank you to Faith Minton for organizing the daily opening and closing of the hall and Cathy Carson for decorating the Balcony!

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!

[Open Studio / Art sale](#) at **Beez Ink Studio**, 57 Kearsarge Mtn. Rd. Saturday Dec. 9, 10 am-2 pm, with a **Blue Roo** Book Party Noon - 1 pm (Sandy Bartholomew's newest book)

**Buttonwood Shop News:** Our new curated gift boxes feature hand-selected artisan goods, sweetly wrapped with a personalized card. Direct shipping is available. **January workshops** include glass beading, art journaling, and more; great experience gifts! Find details on gift boxes and events at [buttonwoodshop.com](http://buttonwoodshop.com) or visit us at 11 E Main St. Hours: Weds 1-4, Thursday 11-6 (Closed Thanksgiving), Friday 11-5, Saturday 11-4.

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

**NH Telephone Museum** has holiday ornaments, magnets and books that folks may be interested in buying for the holiday season.

**Warner Public Market** has many specialty food products, art and home goods for sale.

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. The **WHS Museum shop** will also be open and selling Warner Historical Society and Mount Kearsarge items, books on local history, and works from local artisans. The good people at **Food for Thought NH** will be joining us and will be providing information about their program providing weekly backpacks of food to local school children. Find out more at [foodforthoughtnh.org](http://foodforthoughtnh.org)

[Check out the beautiful library stained glass notecards](#) at the bottom of this newsletter available at the library- great gifts, or stock up for thank yous after the holiday season!

## Warner Business News

**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 <https://www.facebook.com/reedsnorth>

**The Local is open** 11 am - 8 pm Tues-Sat. [facebook.com/TheLocalWarner](https://www.facebook.com/TheLocalWarner)  
**December 12** from 5 to 8pm **Curly Q Farm** will be selling alpaca yarn and knitted hats, gloves, and mittens at The Local.

**Henniker Brewing** is hosting a Sip and Shop on **Dec. 16 from 2 to 6pm.** Many of Warner Area Farmer's Market vendors are selling their items at this event.

**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 [Simonds snack program](#). More information about the business opportunity [HERE](#)

## Outdoors and Environment

Watch the **Geminid meteor** shower Dec, 13 & 14, 9 pm – 100 shooting stars per hour!

Support the restoration of habitat for the disappearing Axolotl, a bizzarely cute creature: <https://www.restauracionecologica.org/cuidados-del-axolote-1> (tell browser to translate)

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

**NextTrex stretchy plastic recycling** progress report: we have officially collected **390 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!

Did you know? Plastic **candy wrappers** can be brought to **The Witching Hour** in Contoocook for recycling by TerraCycle. You can also buy cool non-plastic home products and buy bulk non- packaged soaps, detergents, and personal care items, etc.

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

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

- Sign up for the local [Buy Nothing](#) Facebook group and share/get items for free.
- Visit the **Warner Historical Society's pop-up Barn Sale** -see dates elsewhere
- or the [Warner Indoor Flea Market](#) 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).

**At Riverrun** bookstore at 32 Daniel St. in downtown Portsmouth, the diversification includes typewriters – sold, repaired and bought by longtime store owner Tom Holbrook.

**Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum's** Solar panel array update: The first full day of operation, which was sunny, our array produced 150 kilowatt-hours of energy. In our first week of operation, we've already avoided a half-ton of CO2 emissions. Next step: installation of heat pumps to take advantage of all the power we are producing. They will be installed December 11 -22! More about the Energy Project, [here](#).

## Warner Music, Crafts and Authors

**Tavern Nights at Reed's North:** Saturdays - **Dec. 9**, Music by [Jackie Crow](#) 6 to 9pm.

**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](mailto: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.

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 [www.NH988.com](http://www.NH988.com) 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

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

**New Covid 19 vaccines** can be taken by anyone 6 months and older, whether or not you have had a previous shot. [www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2023/09/13/1198803134/covid-boosters-updated-vaccines-fda-cdc](http://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2023/09/13/1198803134/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. <https://special.usps.com/testkits>. Tests may show "expired" dates on the box, but **FDA has extended those dates;** [see the full list of extended expiration dates](#)

**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.

## @ Your Library

Find the most recent audio and ebooks purchased for Overdrive: [nhdbooks.blogspot.com](http://nhdbooks.blogspot.com)

Do you find online shopping a therapeutic way to zone out and distress? Request items from your library instead of impulse shopping! (or check out our Book / DVD sale) [lifehacker.com/how-library-book-requests-can-keep-you-from-impulse-sho-1850427008](http://lifehacker.com/how-library-book-requests-can-keep-you-from-impulse-sho-1850427008)

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

**Warner Writer's Group** with David Elliott will be reading at **Cafe One East** December 14. Listeners welcome. (Order coffee at 6!). No meeting at the library in December.

## 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

**Center Now open WED- Sunday and vacation weeks** 10:30 AM-4 PM.

See [starhop.com](http://starhop.com) for show schedules (additional \$6 per person). Ask the library for a free pass!

**Super Stellar Fridays:** 1st Fridays

### The Currier Museum of Art in

Manchester [currier.org](http://currier.org) 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](http://www.mfa.org/exhibitions)

**New exhibit** Oct. 10: *Fashioned by Sargent* (\$discount with library pass-timed entry- book tickets NOW!)

**For the promo-code** "pass" discount at MFA, call 603-456-2289.

### Grampie Redux

by Roger Robbins

My Grampie Walker was "a character". A dyed-in-the-wool, one-of-a-kind wonder. Everybody in town had a Grampie story.

Like when Grampie needed sand. He shoveled a bucket full out of a parked truck. "Don't worry," he said. "I know this guy. He'll never know it's missing."

Or at MacDonalds with his grandson:

"The boy wants a hot dog."

"Sorry, we don't have any."

"Isn't this a restaurant?"

"Yessir."

"Don't you feed people?"

"Yessir."

"Then give the boy his hot dog."

Now, Grampie has come back as Donald "Sully" Sullivan in Richard Russo's **Nobody's Fool** and in **2 sequel books**. Sully drives a wheezy truck and does odd jobs with his "not quite with it" partner, Rub Squeers. When a customer refuses to pay up, Sully kidnaps the man's snowblower. Sully's exploits are entertaining page-turners that will keep you riveted. Like Grampie, he's a real "character".

## Miss Sue's News (for Kids)

New Children's Items in our catalog:

[September](#), [October](#), [November](#)

[STEM KITS](#)

[NATURE KIT backpacks](#) filled with durable folding identification guides!



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



The next **POKEMON club** gathering is **Tuesday, December 12, 3-5:00**. Please let Miss Sue know if your child will be attending. Also let Mrs. Grimes know if you are a Simonds student so they can walk down to the library with Miss Sue.

Miss Sue has all the [holiday](#) books and DVD's out for your enjoyment!



This week at story time we will be reading the last Ladybug book nominee, and **vote** for our favorite. If you can't make it, the voting slips will be on Miss Sue's desk until Saturday, the 9th.

Remember that the library has [passes to Museums](#)

## Warner Youth

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

There is still time to Sign-up for **youth skiing and snowboarding!** This WYSA-organized program runs on Thursdays, 1/4/24 - 2/1/24. Instruction is provided by Pats Peak followed by an hour of free skiing with [WYSA](#) Chaperones. No transportation will be provided from school this year to the mountain due to a shortage of bus drivers. **Register now (November)** through the Pats Peak website. For more information reach out to Glen Moyer at [baldeagle03251@yahoo.com](mailto:baldeagle03251@yahoo.com)

The NH **Teen Book Award Committee** is accepting **Isinglass and Flume list** nominations until Dec 8! **New Hampshire Teens in grades 7-12**, teachers, and librarians can nominate books they are (or they know teens are) enjoying. Fiction and Non-fiction titles are accepted. Nominated books must have been published no earlier than September 2022 to be eligible for the 2025 award. If the book you'd like to nominate is part of a series, it must be able to stand alone, meaning the reader doesn't need to have read other books in the series to understand what is going on. You can nominate books [HERE](#) You can check current 2025 nominations [HERE](#)

**Warner Public Market** is continuing to help facilitate and fundraise for **Simonds fresh snack program**. <https://www.warnerpublicmarket.com/snack-program>. a community collaboration to provide every Simonds student with a healthy afternoon snack. It takes approximately \$65 a day to operate the program. \$6000 more is needed to fulfill the year. **Now accepting donations-** 100% which go towards healthy snacks. [Donate online](#) or via Warner Public Market 19 East Main St | PO Box 22, Warner, NH 03278 603-456-2602 [www.warnerpublicmarket.com](http://www.warnerpublicmarket.com)

# Health and Helping Hands

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

The [Girls on the Run](#) group in Bradford, is collecting **toiletry items** for the Bradford, Warner and Kearsarge Food Pantry. Items can be dropped off between November 22 and December 10 at Market Basket: 30 Nichols Mill Lane.

**The Family Closet Thrift Store** Open Wed. and Sat. 10:00-4:00 49 W. Main Street, Warner. 603-456-2183 [familyclosetwcnh@gmail.com](mailto:familyclosetwcnh@gmail.com).

Winter items **not accepted after Dec 9**. WINTER BREAK December 24 thru January: store closed; no donations accepted. Donations resume February 2024.

**Warner Area Food Pantry** Donation needs this month: Shampoo, Conditioner, Deodorant, Flour, Oil, Sugar Coffee, Tea, Oatmeal, Kids Individual Snacks - (applesauce cups, goldfish crackers, peanut butter crackers, juice boxes, etc). Your **monetary donations** allow us to provide meats, fresh fruits and vegetables, egg, whole grain bread and hygiene products to families with needs in our area. **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 11:0

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553264195575>,

and a web page <https://www.warnerconnectsnh.org>

**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.

**New Hampshire's Fuel Assistance Program (FAP)**, helps vulnerable Granite State families with their heating bills. A nationwide 'Do I Qualify?' eligibility tool is available at [energyhelp.us](http://energyhelp.us). Contact Community Action Program (CAP) to apply to the program. Information about locations and contact information, visit [www.capnh.org](http://www.capnh.org). To learn more about the Fuel Assistance Program, visit [Fuel Assistance Program webpage](#).

**Welfare Office** Please email [[welfare@warnernh.gov](mailto:welfare@warnernh.gov)], 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.

<https://homehelpnh.org/homeowner>

**Assessing Clerk Hours:** Monday 8-4, Tuesday 8-6, Wednesday 8-4.

[assessing@WarnerNH.gov](mailto:assessing@WarnerNH.gov), or call [603-456-2298 Ext 1223.]

**Property tax Exemptions/Credits** (Blind or Deaf, Veteran, Disable Veteran, Solar panels, Elderly, Barn preservation) Forms available at **Assessing office:** or **online** at:

<https://warner.nh.us/departments/assessing/>

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

[warner.lib.nh.us/warner-events-calendar](http://warner.lib.nh.us/warner-events-calendar), [nh365.org](http://nh365.org), [visitnh.gov](http://visitnh.gov), [kearsargecalendar.com](http://kearsargecalendar.com), [nhhumanities.org/programs/upcoming](http://nhhumanities.org/programs/upcoming), [centerforheartsnh.org](http://centerforheartsnh.org) Arts calendar [facebook.com/NHMusicCollective/](https://facebook.com/NHMusicCollective/)

# 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.

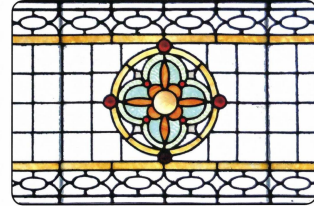
Trustee meetings are published 24-48 hours in advance on the [Warner Events Calendar](#). Approved minutes are published on the [Trustee Meetings page](#).

## Your Donations Keep Library Services Strong!



Buy plants,  
cards or just  
Donate

Contributions to the library may be [donated online](#), 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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