Pillsbury Free Library, Warner, NH ~ February 22, 2024



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 1028 contacts! 68% opened last week! (do you open YOURS?) See past issues or subscribe 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** by Tues. Feb. 27, for Feb. 29 issue.

Town & School News

Meetings: scheduled in the Town Hall unless otherwise indicated

Selectboard: Draft Flood Plain Map Review Fri. 2/23 10am FIRE STATION Select Board Meeting Tuesday, February 27, 5:00 – 6:00pm Warner River Local Advisory Comm Wednesday, February 28, 7:00 – 9:00pm Library Meeting room

https://WarnerNH.gov/calendar

Town Agendas (with Zoom Link) are at https://warner.nh.us/agenda/

Sample ballots for Town elections on March 12, with a candidates list and a Zoning amendment are posted online and at Town Hall, the PO and Library.

Subscribe to Town notices +/or alerts: warnerNH.gov/keep-in-touch

Job Openings

Warner Department of Public Works: 32 hr/ wk PT with building maintenance/ repair skills, 603-456-3366

Warner Police Department: full-time officer position. Apply at PoliceApp.com

Kearsarge Regional School District www.facebook.com/KearsargeSAU65

KRSD vacation: Feb. 26-March 1.

Now enrolling Fall preschool! https://bit.ly/krsdpreschool Kindergarten Registration: contact Wendy at Simonds School: 456-2041.

2024-2025 KRSD calendar:

www.kearsarge.org/district/family-community/pages/calendars

WFFF Board March meeting is Wed., March 6th at 6pm at Sugar River Bank.

Supervisors of the Checklist will meet **Saturday, March 2** at 9:30am at the Town Hall to register people to vote, and make additions and changes to the Voter Checklist. If you are unable to attend, registering to vote and making changes can always be done at the Town

Clerk's Office. Please note: To register to vote please provide your birth certificate or passport, driver's license and proof of residency.

Warner Community Power will begin serving Warner residents with low cost electric supply in March, managed by Community Power Coalition of NH. Residents without other fixed contracts or solar are automatically opted in. You can see options and select which energy choice works best for you, including the % of renewables at the portal at www.communitypowernh.gov/warner or call 1-866-603-POWR or 866-603-7697 to choose your power option, or to opt out. Have your Eversource account number handy. The default CPC rate is 8.1 cents at this time. Eversource is 8.2

FREE Humanities to Go Lecture: "<u>Late in Arriving: How Electricity Changed Rural New Hampshire</u>" by Stephen Taylor. **Saturday, February 24**, 2 p.m. *in person at* New Hampshire Historical Society, Concord. No registration required

The **Warner Housing Advisory Committee** survey is online at <u>warnerHousing24</u>. Paper surveys are available at the Town Hall (outside the Town Clerk's office), Pillsbury Free Library, United Church of Warner (first floor), and Sugar River Bank (front entry). Return your completed paper surveys to the survey boxes.

Warner Museums and Groups

The Warner's 250th Birthday committee will host a spaghetti dinner and a "Snow Train Era" program fundraiser on Saturday February 24 beginning at 5 pm at the Warner Town Hall. We thank Reed's North for co-sponsoring this event. Doors will open at 4:30pm. The program will begin between 6:30-6:45 pm. There will be a 50/50 raffle, announcements of upcoming 250th events and Rebecca Courser will be hosting the snow train program. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children under twelve. 250th lawn signs (\$15) and magnets (\$3) will be available for sale. Questions, call Rebecca 603-456-3997.

This year's <u>Maple Day at Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum</u> will be Saturday, March 16th from 10 am to 2 pm. Maple syrup making demonstrations, historical displays, storytelling at 11 am and 1 pm, a maple bake sale, acorn pancake samples, and more. The museum and gift shop will be open.

Other **Maple Weekend** events in Warner include a pancake breakfast at Warner Town Hall starting at 7:30 am, and Maple syrup tasting.

You're Invited to Join in activities for Holy Week at Magdalen College in March

All liturgies are open to the public. https://magdalen.edu/holyweek/ If you would like to attend the Easter feast on Saturday night or the Easter brunch on Sunday morning, please RSVP https://magdalen.edu/easter-meals-rsvp/ for these meals by Wednesday, March 20th. A \$5 donation for each meal is requested to help cover the cost of food.

Warner Safety



Warner Fire and Rescue received the long-anticipated replacement "Rescue 1" vehicle a couple of weeks ago, and have been transferring gear to outfit it for use.

There have been many home fires in the area recently as well as road accidents. THANK YOU to all our responders who give up their time at all hours to assist people!

Reminder about Brush Burning Limitations

Residents are reminded that even though there may be snow on the ground and a fire permit from the local fire warden may not be required, **only brush with branches less than 5 inches in diameter** can be burned. The burning of construction and demolition debris is prohibited, as well as the burning of domestic waste, tires, trash, treated wood and other non-conforming materials. Residents should also check with the <u>local fire department</u> to determine what other restrictions may apply.

The Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Committee wants to hear YOUR extreme weather experiences and concerns. Only 77 responses so far - let's get 100! https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WarnerNH-HazMit Paper copies are available at the library, Church, Bank and Town Hall.

Farmers, this includes YOU: did drought, frost, or excessive rain affect you recently?



Our condolences to the residents of the home on Marsh Lane in Warner, destroyed by fire last week. They lost pets and the building with all their belongings. No-one was home at the time.

https://www.wmur.com/article/building-fire-in-warner-new-hampshire/46808948

https://www.concordmonitor.com/Warner-fire-log-cabin-54075926



The library has recently acquired an **Opioid Rescue Kit** emergency box, containing Narcan and a rescue breathing mask. It is in the lower level of the building near the stairs where the AED (defibrillator) equipment is also kept. We hope we never have to use it, but times are changing! This was provided free of charge through a collaboration between Capital Area Public Health

<u>Network</u> and **The Doorway** <u>https://www.thedoorway.nh.gov/</u>. Many thanks to Liz Labbe, Warner Welfare Officer, for getting this project in place.

If your household would feel safer with a supply of Narcan on hand in case of overdose from contaminated painkillers, or someone close who uses opioids, you can contact 211, Doorway, or **ask** the Library staff or Welfare Office to help you obtain some. Fentanyl contamination test strips are also available in some home rescue kits. Free online training is available at UNH Extension Community First Responder Program

Voting and Legislation

Warner Candidates' Forum Thursday, March 7, 7:00 PM at Warner Town Hall. Come hear from the candidates running for contested races for Town offices. Each candidate will give brief open statements and then answer questions posed by the Women's League of Women Voters' Moderator and submitted by the audience. Candidates speaking will be: Selectboard - 1 opening for one-year term: Karen Coyne and Faith Minton, Budget Committee - 2 openings for 3 year terms: Richard Bixby, Jr, Alfred Hanson, and James F. Sherman

NH Legislative bills: Find meetings and hearings:

NH Senate https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/senate/schedule/dailyschedule.aspx
Online comment link: https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/remotecommittee/senate.aspx

NH House: https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/schedule/dailyschedule.aspx LIVE STREAM available on youtube!

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxqjz56akoWRL 5vyaQDtvQ

Go online to express an opinion about these or other bills.

https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/committees/remotetestimony/

Election day for Warner is **Tuesday**, **March 12**, **2024**. Voting hours are 7 am - 7 pm. The Town Clerk's office will be closed that day for **Town elections**.

Changes to the Warner Zoning Ordinance, Article XV, Non-Conforming Use will also be voted on by ballot on Election Day. Relevant Documents are available at https://warner.nh.us/notices, including: Current Zoning Ordinance, Proposed Changes, Sample Zoning Ballot, Sample Town Ballot, Sample School Ballot, and Absentee Ballot Request.

Town Meeting is Wednesday, **March 13 2024, 6 pm until done**, at Warner Town Hall You must be present at Town Meeting and be a Registered Voter to vote on Warrant Articles. Some documents for Town Meeting are at https://warner.nh.us/notices: Revenue summary for 2023 (XLSX), 2024 Estimated Tax Rate (XLSX), 2024 Operations Budget, 2024 Warrant Articles.

In news:www.concordmonitor.com/Warner-select-board-expansion-warrant-53943202

Warner Area Business News

Do you want to chat with other small business owners? Sign up to be part of an email group run by The Kearsarge Chamber for "coffee" meetings, and suggest a time and place! https://mailman.dimentech.com/mailman/listinfo/kacc-coffee
Previous options have been monthly early morning meetups at Cafe One East and there

is some talk of a 10 am meeting in Bradford at Kearsarge Food Hub's Cafe. Or try a lunch meetup or an after work drink at one of Warner's restaurants?

<u>Kearsarge Area Chamber of Commerce</u> is almost ready for the next brochure printing. Membership is very inexpensive. **Anyone wanting to put an ad in the brochure** should contact them ASAP at membership@KearsargeChamber.org.

<u>Charlie Mac's Pizzaria</u> is closed Mondays, January to March.

Reed's North: Saturday Tavern Nights from 6-9 (check FB for weekly details). Sunday hours: 8am to 2, Brunch Menu. Team Trivia on Thursdays 6-8. Warner Wednesdays: 2/28 Fundraiser for Warner Historical Society: A portion of the proceeds from that evening's sales will benefit the Warner Historical Society. We'll also have tickets to our annual MadgeTech, Inc. sponsored raffle on hand for purchase. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. The top prize is \$500.

The Local is open 11 am - 8 pm Tues-Sat. <u>facebook.com/TheLocalWarner</u> 6 PM <u>Team Trivia at The Local Every Wednesday</u>

Buttonwood Shop workshops: <u>buttonwoodshop.com/events</u> or visit at 11 E Main. Hours: Weds 1-4, Thursday 11-6, Friday 11-5, Saturday 11-4.

SoulSource will be closing on Saturday March 2nd. *Everything must go.* Hours now through March 2nd are Wed, Thurs, and Sat from 11-4. <u>info@soulsourcenh.com</u>

SCORE Free Online Workshops: https://www.score.org/graniteregion/local-workshops/upcoming-events-calendar_Logo Design using Canva Feb. 29, 2024, 10:00am EST

At Your Library

<u>Family Stories: How and Why to Remember and Tell Them</u> Wed. March 6, 6:30 pm. In this active and interactive program, storyteller **Jo Radner** shares foolproof ways to mine memories and interview relatives for meaningful stories. Participants practice finding, developing, and telling their own tales.

More at https://www.nhhumanities.org/programs/2022/ Register for Zoom link https://signup.com/go/nKVRrom

Library Book Group Next meeting: **Wed. March 13** at 1:30 pm, to discuss <u>The First Ladies</u> by Marie Benedict. Copies are available at the library.

Tax forms! We now have 1040 and 1040 SR forms, AND instruction books, and can help you print other forms you may need. Need help filing? Call 211 for an appointment for free assistance or go to NHTaxHelp.org.

Warner Writers Group with David Elliott - next meeting, Thurs. **March 21** at 6:30 pm. Please sign up to help plan handouts/ send updates: https://signup.com/go/biWjiqL

Save the dates:

Saturday March 16: **Maple Weekend** make and take kids craft
Saturday April 6: **Town Hall Indoor Flea Market** (vendor spaces are almost all gone!)
Wednesday, April 10: **Local Author/ Artist program** in the library

Library Passes and Other Resources!

We have free or reduced cost admission Library passes for:

<u>McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center</u> Now open WED- Sunday and vacation weeks 10:30 AM-4 PM. See <u>starhop.com</u> for SHOW schedules (add \$7 /show/person). Registration for summer camps at the center is now open.

The Currier Museum of Art in Manchester <u>currier.org</u> is open Wed- Sunday. 1/2 price with a library pass. *Stories of the Sea* is the Currier Museum's new maritime-themed collection display built around Vincent van Gogh's first outdoor painting, *Beach at Scheveningen in Calm Weather*, and Andrew Wyeth's haunting *The Wake* (1964). Vacation Week Art Camp, Feb.26 through March 1, ages 6-14, 9:30am-4pm

Museum of Fine Arts in Boston: www.mfa.org/exhibitions
For the promo-code "pass" discount at MFA, for \$10 admission, call 603-456-2289.

New Hampshire Telephone Museum will reopen March 2, Saturdays &Tues, 10-4.

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

Miss Sue's News (for Kids)

New Children's Items in our catalog:

December, January, February STEM KITS

NATURE KIT backpacks filled with

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

durable folding identification guides!

Does anyone have an "old fashioned" school desk? We will need a few for the play. Let Miss Sue know. Thank you!

School vacation week- need ideas to keep busy? Come to the library to play some games, bring some home with some books or DVD's, KITS too! Don't forget the Story Walk and there are LEGOs!



Room. If bad weather, call to be sure that we are open.



4th Graders and up. April is fast approaching! Don't forget to read as many **Great Stone Face** list books as possible for the party and voting! See Miss Sue for details.

Warner Youth

Town Meeting is Wednesday, **March 13 2024, 6 pm until done**, at Warner Town Hall If you would like **help with child care** for that evening, please contact Selectman Harry Seidel who is looking at options to help people attend. If you have ideas or have a qualified teen who would help, for School community service, please also let him know.

Boys & Girls Club's <u>Warner Early Learning Center</u> has openings for the **toddler** section! Apply now if you need daycare! 49 West Main St., Warner (603) 856-8649 dthurston@nhyouth.org <u>www.nhyouth.org/location/warner-early-learning-center/</u>

<u>WYSA</u> news: WYSA spring baseball and softball registration is open. Go to <u>www.warnersports.org</u> to register via TeamSnap.

Outdoors, Fitness and Environment

Rethink, Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repair

NexTREX stretchy plastic recycling progress report: we have now collected 731 **pounds of** the target (1000# by August) to win a bench for Simonds School. Clean **plastic bags and stretchy film, including bubble wrap** can be brought to the library or the School. Many thanks to Judy Pellettieri who is handling the weighing and reporting.

Warner Conservation Committee needs an organizer to **coordinate** the annual **Warner Water Quality Monitoring** in Ballard, Willow, French, Frazier and Davis Brooks. Equipment and training provided by by NH Fish & Game to assess dissolved oxygen, PH, and water bugs. Interested? Call Nancy Martin at 603-456-3064.

<u>Countryside Community Church</u> in Contoocook is looking for donations of new clothing to give directly to <u>The Pass Along Project</u>, an organization that makes sure that Foster Kids' clothing needs are met, as well as used spring/summer clothing and footwear in adult and child sizes to sell on May 18. They also need volunteers on donation days to help sort and fold the donations. Drop off dates at 815 Main St. in Contoocook: **Saturdays Feb. 17**, March 16, or April 13. Contact jiselleb@yahoo.com.

Warner Indoor Pickleball at Simonds School is Fridays and Mondays 6:30-8:30 pm in the Gym unless no school, so NOT Feb. 26 or Mar. 1. Use the gym's outside door. Using the Team Reach app helps find out about attendance and cancellations. Contact Nancy Ladd at the library for information. All welcome.

Warner Parks & Rec. Old School P.E.. meets at Simonds on Thursdays at 6:30 pm. All

Warner Music, Crafts and Authors

The Wholly Rollers will be performing during worship at the United Church of Warner at 10 AM on Sunday, February 25. They are a band playing old-time, bluegrass, gospel, sea shanties, and land shanties. "We're better than we sound" is their tag line!

The **Center for the Arts** will be hosting a meeting of local Authors, Writers, and Poets on **March 7th**, **5:30 pm at Tracy Library** in New London. The intention is to gain input on ways in which they can help them pursue their craft. Email Jean Connolly <jconnolly@cfanh.org> with your contact info to join.

Reed's Tavern Night Music: Sat. Feb. 24, 6-9 pm Jackie Crow

Thursday Night Music at The Local starts in March! 5 pm March 7 – Scott King

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

Health and Helping Hands

The Family Closet Thrift Store Store is open and accepting winter clothing, bedding, footwear, etc. Hours: Wed. and Sat. 10 am - 4 pm

Warner Area Food Pantry. https://www.warnerconnectsnh.org

Wishlist: Tuna, Granola bars, Canned past, Scallop potatoes, Shampoo & Conditioner, **NEW expanded hours** of the Pantry:

Tuesday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Thursday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Office Hours: Tues - Thurs., 10am - 3pm.

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

Belknap-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 cost applications etc. or visit https://capbm.org/ or call 603-456-2207 (x 6301 is Joe Cullen).

Welfare Office Please email [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 - 24 hours a day.

IRS Tax help: call 211 to make an appointment with Tax aides. Also, nhtaxhelp.org lists sites around the state where people can schedule free sessions to help with their taxes. You can also see if you qualify for free online filing at the IRS site: https://www.irs.gov/filing/free-file-do-your-federal-taxes-for-free

We have a handful of Covid-19 Test Kits at the Library. Also, you can ask your insurance if they will reimburse or provide test kits.

Did you order one set of 4 free at-home individual rapid antigen COVID-19 tests since

October? Limit of one order per residential address. 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.

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 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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