

## Pillsbury Free Library, Warner, NH ~ Dec. 19, 2024



**PILLSBURY FREE LIBRARY**  
Warner, New Hampshire

### Library 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

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## Local News from Your Library

Sent to over **1065** contacts! "only" **65%** opened last week! (did you open YOURS?)

See past issues or **subscribe** at <https://www.warner.lib.nh.us/library-news>.

**NEXT ISSUES:** Submit current news and events In brief text please, to **Newsletter@library.warnerNH.gov** by **There will be NO Dec. 26** issue!

## Town & School News

Town Clerk's Office and Library will be **closed on Tues., Dec. 24.**

All Town offices are closed on Wed., December 25, and Wed. Jan.1.

**New Year's Eve:** Dec. 31 Town Clerk's Office will close at 3 pm, library at 5 pm.

**Meetings** (scheduled in the Town Hall lower level unless otherwise indicated). Check <https://warnernh.gov/calendar/>

### Budget Committee & Selectboard

Thursday, December 26, 7:00 pm

### Selectboard

Monday, December 30, 10:00am

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Thursday, January 2, 7:00 pm

**Agendas** (often with Zoom Link) are at <https://warnerNH.gov/agenda/> Updates:

**-Please check agenda AND calendar**

**Zoom recordings of some meetings:**

[www.youtube.com/@WarnerNHgov](https://www.youtube.com/@WarnerNHgov).

### Transfer Station - New Hours

Effective November 1, 2024

- Tue: 12:00 - 4:00 PM
- Wed: 12:00 - 4:00 PM
- Thu: 12:00 - 7:00 PM (not 11/28)
- Sat: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- Sun: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

### Kearsarge Regional School District

[www.facebook.com/KearsargeSAU65](https://www.facebook.com/KearsargeSAU65)

### KRSD School holiday closings:

**Dec. 23- Jan. 1 December Recess**

### KRSD Annual deliberative session

**Saturday, Jan. 4, 9 am at KRHS**

Come listen and discuss budget warrant articles for the March Warrant.

<https://www.kearsarge.org/district/family-community/pages/calendars>

**Warner Food Pantry** and Family Closet are **CLOSED** Christmas week.

25 citizens have petitioned the **Kearsarge Regional School District** to institute a **budget cap** limiting the district's proposed budget to \$27,000 per student. If adopted, this measure could reduce the **2025-26** budget by over **\$10 million, or approximately a 17% cut.** It would be up to the school board and budget committee to determine the exact cuts. The \$27,000 per-student figure is lower than actual costs, so the SAU says budget cuts could require closing schools and dismissing 85-95 teachers/staff, which would increase class sizes significantly. Cuts could also lead to the removal of sports, electives, and other non-

core programs, and/or Transportation services for students could be significantly reduced. This petition and other budget articles will be discussed and voted at the School District's **Deliberative Session on Sat. January 4th at 9 AM**, held at Kearsarge Regional High School, 457 North Rd., Sutton, NH. This session will determine the final March warrant.

## Warner People

**Warner's Boston Post Cane** The next Boston Post Cane recipient is Warner resident, **Virginia L. Zwinggi who is 104** years young. She has lived in Warner for ten years and lives independently with extended family on Route 103 West. The presentation will be held with the Selectmen and the Warner Historical Society on **February 1 at 1 pm** in the downstairs meeting room at the Warner Town Hall. Please join them in honoring Mrs. Zwinggi on this occasion. Questions, call 603-456-2437.

## Misc. Town News

The **Town of Warner** is seeking a **Landuse Secretary, a Police officer, a Transfer Station attendant, and DPW crew member.** [warnernh.gov/job-openings/](http://warnernh.gov/job-openings/)

Volunteers for **Planning Board Alternates** sought: Please fill out a [volunteer form](#) available on the Warner Town Website and drop off at the Town Hall with Judy or Kathy.

## Warner's 250th

Join the 250th for our **final event, celebrate the Winter Solstice and enjoy a slide show** of Warner's Favorite Corners and of photographs taken at various programs in 2024 and Stories by Children's Librarian Miss Sue at 5:15 and 6:15pm. The event will take place at the **Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum on Sat. Dec. 21 from 5 -7 pm. Indoors due to weather forecast** for slides and stories, cocoa and writing your best wishes to send into the universe for Warner's 300th in 2074. 603-456-3997.

## 'TIS THE SEASON



The Library Staff wish you all Happy Holidays: whether Christmas, Hanukkah, Solstice, Yule or other!  
Enjoy fountain photo by Ellen Wirth:



Stop in to Warner Town Hall to view the **Festival of Trees** - each one decorated by a different Warner organization. Other decorations were arranged by the volunteer Warner Beautification Group.  
The Town Hall will be open **every day** to Jan. 3, 8 am to 7 pm for tree viewing, thanks to Town Hall staff, Selectboard members, and other volunteers.

Consider shopping locally this year, at Main Street businesses, such as Buttonwood, MainStreet BookEnds Gallery, WHS pop-up, Family CLoSet Thrift store, Warner Public Market or at the websites of local museums. Buy gift cards from other businesses like restaurants, Hair salons, or Massage. (some at <https://KearsargeChamber.com>).

Holiday shopping **Barn Sale Pop-up** at the Upton-Chandler House Museum:  
**Saturday Dec. 21**, 9 am - noon (also WHS clothing, and other swag!)

Meet at the **United Church of Warner** at **11:30 AM** on **Sunday, December 22** to go caroling to shut-ins in the Warner community. All are welcome.

The 5th Annual **Waterloo Bridge Neighborhood Carol Sing**....Sunday 12/22 at 6:45 PM. In case of sleet or rain we will sing on the next starry or lightly snowing evening. Lyric sheets provided, but bring along a flashlight, a favorite song and a friend.

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service** at the **United Church of Warner** is at **6 PM, December 24**. All are welcome.

**Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum** has an **online store!** Including MKIM T-Shirts! Just a few left. Consider giving items TO MKIM from their [Amazon Wishlist](#)  
And note the **Solstice event for the Warner 250th** wrap-up session held at MKIM.

Winter weather driving conditions: Get real-time updates at <https://newengland511.org/>.

**Winter Parking Ban:** The Town of Warner's Parking Ordinance is in effect and states that **no vehicle may be left on any street, road, or highway in the Town of Warner between the hours of 12:00 a.m. midnight and 6:00 a.m., from November 1st until May 1st.** Any vehicle in violation of this ban will be towed away at the owner's expense.

## Arts, Music, Games, etc

**The Local:** Music Thursdays 5-8 pm: Dec. 19 [Danny McCarthy Live](#), Thu, Dec. 26 [Justin Cohn Live](#) **Team Trivia** Nights: Weds at 6 pm.

**Reed's North: Tavern Night Sat. 6-9 pm:** 12/21 Colin Nevins, 12/28 Jackie Crow. Jan. 4  
**Open Mic** with Brian Booth (Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday),  
**Trivia with Competitive Edge Trivia** Thursdays 6-8

**Open Mic** at Cafe One East is held the 2nd Tuesday of each month, hosted by Peg Chaffee, Next session: January 14, 2025.

## Rethink, Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repair

**"Most" Wrapping paper** is not recyclable, so try some alternatives this year, like reusable bags, boxes, or just fabric! Get fancy with ribbon, or wrap in fabric using Furoshiki techniques! [www.nrrarecycles.org/recycle-right-campaign/holiday-gift-wrapping](http://www.nrrarecycles.org/recycle-right-campaign/holiday-gift-wrapping)

Entertaining and using "compostable" serving ware? Read the labels with care! Check <https://how2recycle.info/how2compost/> It is likely to be better to simply wash/ reuse.

**Recycling News:** It is sometimes said that recycling is not worth doing, or not truly happening to materials being collected and shipped. **The market prices say otherwise.** **NRRA is a central recycling assistance organization in NH and their [report for 2024](#) says:**

**Fibers:** Cardboard maintained its pricing over the year and paper saw an increase.

**Plastics:** Pricing has increased across all plastics groups - PET, HDPE Natural, HDPE Colored, and even #1-#7 Mixed Plastics.

**Metals:** Light iron pricing is up significantly from last year, aluminum can pricing has remained strong, and steel can pricing has also increased slightly.

In Warner, sorting earns \$\$ and reduces costs for Warner. especially Metal, Aluminum, Mixed paper, corrugated cardboard, Plastics #1 and #2 (clear/green and laundry/milk).

Want to get together with others to talk about solutions to **NH environment and energy** concerns? Find online meetings and activities at <https://www.newhampshirenetwork.org/>



Clean grocery bags and ziplock bags may be dropped in the box inside Market Basket. Also those pale grey plastic mailers: check the logo!

The Food Pantry often needs clean bags. OR use your own **reusable bags** for shopping!

**Other Event listings online :** [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), [centerfortheartsnh.org](http://centerfortheartsnh.org), [Arts calendar](http://Arts%20calendar), [facebook.com/NHMusicCollective/](https://facebook.com/NHMusicCollective/)

## Museums and Groups



**Warner Firefighters Museum** is open on Saturdays from 10am to 3pm, now thru December 28, 2024. Now is your chance to purchase a **Warner Challenge Coin**. Numbered, \$15 each

**NH Telephone Museum** December hours: **TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS**. NHTM will be CLOSED ON SATURDAYS for the remainder of the 2024 season. **The LAST OPEN DAY of 2024 is Friday, December 20, 10am--4pm.**

The **Warner Historical Society** is seeking candidates for an **Office Administrator** position. A complete position description may be found at [www.warnerhistorical.org](http://www.warnerhistorical.org)

**Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum** is closed for the Winter but **has an [online store!](#)** And note the **Solstice event for the Warner 250th** wrap-up session held at MKIM.

**Warner Fish and Game Club** is Looking for volunteers and donations for the Fishing Derby, whether it's cash donations or prizes, and also looking for volunteers for the children's fishing derby to work on May 10, 2025.

**Indoor Pickleball** in the Simonds School gym, Mondays and Fridays 6:30-8 pm. (NOT Dec. 23-Jan. 1). Free. See who's coming and sign in on TeamReach app WarnerNHPB, group code WPB21 or just show up! Use the outside door of gym.

**Are you seeing ALL of this newsletter?** In some emails or devices, the text is clipped or partly hidden, and you may see a note like **"Continue reading"** The bottom of the newsletter has **Notecard images** so if you don't see that, you're MISSING OUT!

## Health and Helping Hands

**Family Closet Thrift Store** Open Weds and Saturdays 10am-4pm 603-456-2183.  
**Open Dec 21, Closed Dec. 22 - Jan. 31.**

The **United Church of Warner** sanctuary is open **4:30-6:30 PM every Thursday** for a quiet place to pray.



**No new item donations accepted until February!**

**Warner Area Food Pantry.**

[www.warnerconnectsnh.org](http://www.warnerconnectsnh.org).

**Wish List:** Canned Peaches, Cream Corn, Hamburger Helper, Granola Bars, Gluten Free Pasta.

**Pantry Client Hours:** TUESDAY 4-6 pm & THURSDAY 11:00am- 1:00 pm .

**Office Hours:** Tues - Thurs., 10am - 1pm.

**Pantry facebook:** [www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553264195575](https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553264195575)

**Belknap-Merrimack County Community Action** hours in Warner at 49 W. Main Street. **Tues and Thursdays, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm** or call 603-456-2207

**Welfare Office** Thursdays 1-4 pm on the 3rd floor of the Community building. Contact **Peter Flynn**, Warner Welfare officer 24/7, at 603-456-3004 or 456-2298 x1229, or [help@WarnerNH.gov](mailto:help@WarnerNH.gov).

**Free COVID Test kits:** [COVIDTests.gov](https://COVIDTests.gov).

**Franklin VNA & Hospice** is hosting a **free Walk-In Advanced Care Planning** session for the public at their office at 75 Chestnut St, Franklin. **Friday, January 17, 2025 from 1:00-3:00 PM**, a Franklin VNA & Hospice Social Worker/Notary Public will be available to discuss end-of-life wishes, review Advanced Directives to make sure they reflect your decisions, assist with filling out Durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare and/or Living Will, and discuss how to have the important conversations with your loved ones regarding your final wishes. Advanced Directive booklets will be available to complete or take with you. (603) 934-3454 or email [info@franklinvna.org](mailto:info@franklinvna.org).

## Health insurance Help

[www.medicare.gov/plan-compare](https://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare). [HealthCare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov)

**Merrimack County ServiceLink** at 1-866-634-9412 or **603-228-6625**

**Hometown Senior Solutions** 603-441-2365. [www.hometownseniorsolutions.com/](https://www.hometownseniorsolutions.com/)  
<https://healthynh.org/initiatives/access-to-care/get-covered/> (603) 415-4256.

## Area Business and Farms

**BUY LOCAL!** Consider also gift certificates from local businesses such as those below and others listed at <https://kearsargechamber.org/page/members> (like Massage!)

Job openings in the **Kearsarge Regional School District** [www.kearsarge.org/careers](https://www.kearsarge.org/careers)  
Also, Bus drivers are still wanted!

## At Your Library

Thank you to so many of you who have donated to our Fifth Annual Appeal! We know you have many choices, and we appreciate your help. If you would like to make a gift—and if you can afford to do so—please send a check to PO Box 299, Warner, NH 03278 or give electronically at <https://bit.ly/pfl-donation>. Happy holidays! —*The Trustees of the Pillsbury Free Library*

Do you love the Pillsbury Free Library and our programs? Do you have suggestions on how we could improve? The library wants to hear from YOU. Take our quick Pillsbury Free **Library Programs Survey** online at: <https://forms.gle/SHhSuuMxLVkChziS9>

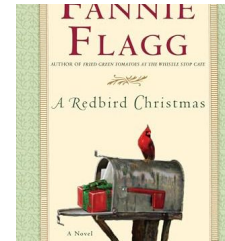
Coming Soon! **Boston Aquarium** passes for 1/2 price entry! Jan. - May 2025

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

## Book Discussion Groups

The **library book discussion group** meets the 2nd Wed. each month at **1:30 pm** in the library. All welcome! The library has copies to borrow.

**January 14** [A Redbird Christmas](#) by Fannie Flagg



**BookEnds BookGroup** has paused for now.

If you are part of a different book group, you can also request copies via the library through inter-library loan for your group.

We have Library passes for free or reduced cost admission to:

**NH State Parks pass** - Find parks which are open at [nhstateparks.org/find-parks-trails/](https://www.nhstateparks.org/find-parks-trails/) and news updates at <https://www.facebook.com/NewHampshireStateParks>

**First Day Hikes!** From scenic walks around a lake to self-guided natural history hikes, in this long-running national initiative on January 1. Registration required: Choose from 7 parks around the state: <https://www.nhstateparks.org/things-to-do/first-day-hikes-2025>

**McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center** Wed-Sun. 10:30 AM - 4:00 PM.

**Holiday hours:** CLOSED Dec. 18-20, Open December 21-23 & December 26- 31. Free with library pass. See [starhop.com](https://www.starhop.com) for SHOW schedules (add \$7 /show/person).

**The Currier Museum of Art** in Manchester [currier.org](https://www.currier.org) open Wed- Sun. 10am-5pm. and holidays except Christmas Day and New Years Day. 1/2 price with a library pass.

**Second Saturdays** are Free for NH Residents. **1st Wednesdays** [Memory Cafe](#)., [Art for Vets Family Day](#) is the 3rd Saturday of every month, free entry for Veterans & family.

**Museum of Fine Arts in Boston:** [www.mfa.org/exhibitions](https://www.mfa.org/exhibitions)

For the promo-code "pass" discount at MFA, for \$10 admission, call 603-456-2289.

**Current exhibits:** [Georgia O'Keeffe and Henry Moore](#) to Jan. 20, 2025. Timed tickets.

**Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum** in December the museum is open by appointment only to the general public, weekdays. Call 603-456-2600 to arrange a time and date.

From January through April, the museum will be open **Fridays** only, 10-4, with tours at 10:30 and 1:30. Groups tours are also available for groups of 10 or more during the winter by calling and making an appointment. Email [education@indianmuseum.org](mailto:education@indianmuseum.org).

**New Hampshire Telephone Museum** 10-4, **FRIDAY** Dec. 20, 2024. By appt. Jan-Feb

## Warner Youth

*Are you a teen interested in reading and reviewing books for the Teen books section? Stop by the library on a Monday or Tuesday and talk to Casey!*

## Miss Sue's News (for Kids)



**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 Children's Room. !

**New Children's Items in our catalog:**

[October](#), [November](#), [December](#) and [STEM KITS](#) or [NATURE KIT backpacks](#)



Miss Sue is planning to change the story walk book on Dec. 26th. [Good Morning, Snowplow](#) by Deb Bruss will be the winter selection.



**Saturday, Dec. 21st - Winter Solstice** event at The Indian Museum, 5-7:00pm. This is the last 250th birthday event. Miss Sue will be reading a story at 5:15 and 6:15. Slide show and cocoa!

[Holiday books and DVD's](#) are available. Come get some for those cold winter days.

**The next spring play (May) will be "KID FRANKENSTEIN".** See Miss Sue for a script and details. **Actors needed!**

**See Spot go at Super Stellar Friday.** Spot in action: Exploring Robotics. Matthew Charron, Boston Dynamics, January 3, 7pm, at **McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center**. More details <https://www.starhop.com/ssf>

**Pokemon Club** meets at the Library the 2nd Tues. of the month, 3-5 pm. All welcome.

**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 schedules.

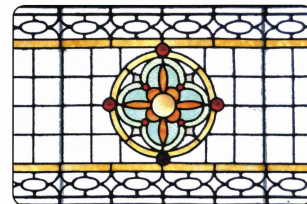
Trustee meetings are published 24-48 hours in advance on the [Warner Events Calendar](#). Approved minutes are published on the [Trustee Meetings page](#).

## Your Donations Keep Library Services Strong!



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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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