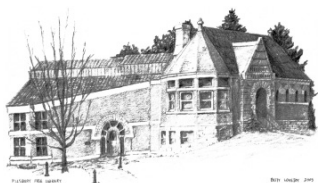


## Pillsbury Free Library, Warner, NH ~ Dec. 12, 2024



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Warner, New Hampshire

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**Tues.** 9 am - 12 & 1 - 8 pm

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## Local News from Your Library

Sent to over **1065** contacts! "only" **68%** 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 **Tues. Dec. 17**, for **Thurs. Dec 19** issue.

## Town & School News

Property Tax payments were due **Dec. 5**.  
Pay asap if not paid, to minimize interest!

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

### **Budget Committee (and Selectboard)**

Thursday, Dec. 12, 7:00pm

### **Planning Board**

Monday, Dec 16, 7:00 – 9:00pm

### **Selectboard Meeting Work Session**

Tuesday, December 17, 10 am

### **EDAC Economic Dev.Advisory Comm.**

Wednesday, December 18, 7:00pm

### **Energy Committee**

Thursday, December 19, 4:00 – 5:00pm

### **Budget Committee & Selectboard**

Thursday, December 19, 7:00 – 9:00pm

**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](http://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**

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

### **Warner Fall Foliage Festival Board .**

**Annual WFFF Meeting:** December 18 at  
Town Hall, 7 pm to vote on funding  
requests and 2025 board.

**Red Cross Blood Drive**, United Church  
of Warner, Friday Dec 6, 12 - 5 pm.  
[www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-](http://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=WARNER)  
[results?zipSponsor=WARNER](http://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=WARNER)

## Warner People

### **Help find the next recipient for Warner's Boston Post Cane**

The Warner Selectmen in conjunction with the Warner Historical Society award the cane and a certificate to the oldest citizen and the cane is then kept at the Warner Historical

Society.

Contact the **Warner Historical Society** if you or a family member were born between 1925–1935 and are still living in Warner. 603-456-2437 or [info@warnerhistorical.org](mailto:info@warnerhistorical.org).

## Misc. Town News

**Tax Payments were due by Thursday, December 5, 2024.** Payments may be delivered to the Town Clerk or the Tax Collector. Also, payments may be left in the secure mail box slot in the front door on the front porch of the Town Hall.

On **Dec.18 at 7:00pm** in Town Hall, the Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) will hold a meeting to develop **recommendations on the future of the Community Center** to present to the Selectboard for their consideration. EDAC recommendations will be based on results from the 2024 town-wide Community Center Survey and the Listening Session on September 26.

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

**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.

## 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 throughout the year and Stories by Children's Librarian Miss Sue at 5:15 and 5:45 pm. The event will take place at the **Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum on Sat. Dec. 21 from 5 -7 pm. Indoors for slides and stories**, cocoa and write your best wishes to send into the universe for Warner's 300th in 2074. The outside event **Bring a lawn chair** for sitting around the campfire /roast marshmallows, is weather dependent. Questions, call 603-456-3997.

## 'TIS THE SEASON



The Library Cactus tells us we are into the holiday season (It blooms Thanksgiving through Easter)!

Consider shopping locally this year, at Main Street businesses, such as Buttonwood, MainStreet BookEnds Gallery, at pop-ups, (below) or at the websites of local museums, or gift cards from other businesses like restaurants, Hair salons, or Massage. (some listed at <https://KearsargeChamber.com> )

Holiday shopping **Barn Sale Pop-ups** at the Upton-Chandler House Museum: **Saturday, Dec 14, Sunday Dec 15, and Saturday Dec 21**, 9 am - noon (also WHS clothing, and other swag!) Includes **Cookie Walk Sat. Dec. 14**. Fill a box for just \$10.

**Reed's North** is doing a showing of Polar Express 5 pm on Saturday 12/14, 5pm. Daycare Provided age 6 up. (In the studio space below the restaurant). Pictures with Santa and Mrs Claus, 3:30 -4:30 pm. Concession Stand, Hot Chocolate Station. Kiddos wear your Jammies and Enjoy. Parents watch the movie or join us upstairs for Dinner. **Make reservations!** <https://www.facebook.com/events/434891756343009>

**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.

**BITSetc** fundraiser, **Sat. Dec. 14** Christmas on the Farm at 5 Poverty Plains Rd, Warner: Take a selfie with Santa and Mr. Jingles, create holiday crafts and more! \$25 per family. 1:00- 3:00 crafts, games and pictures with Santa and his helpers. 1:00- 2:30 there will be a professional photographer - must sign up to reserve time. Contact [info@bitsetc.org](mailto:info@bitsetc.org) for any questions. [facebook.com/events/424593453850126](https://www.facebook.com/events/424593453850126)

**Food For Thought NH's** backpack program is having a busy school year with 68 children currently enrolled, receiving food for weekends and breaks weekly! Thank you to all who have and continue to support the program. FFT is currently offering beautiful **handmade star shaped ornaments in return for a donation.** Each star is folded, wax dipped and gift boxed with an optional note telling your recipient that a donation has been made in their honor. Suggested donations are \$10/star. Please contact Susan Morrison @ [foodforthoughtforkids@gmail.com](mailto:foodforthoughtforkids@gmail.com) for more information on how you can support this mission. FFT NH is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

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** at **6 PM, December 24.** All are welcome.

Town Clerk's Office and Library will be closed on Tuesday, Dec.24, and Wed. Dec 25. All Town offices are closed on Wednesday, December 25, 2024 and Wed. Jan.1.

Winter weather driving conditions: Get real-time updates at <https://newengland511.org/>. **Sposh, skiff and Onding:** [www.merriam-webster.com/wordplay/10-more-words-for-snow](http://www.merriam-webster.com/wordplay/10-more-words-for-snow)



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** in December, 8 am to 7 pm for tree viewing, thanks to Town Hall staff, Selectboard members, and other volunteers. Bring your family / visitors!

Many thanks to the Library's **Circle of Friends** for decorating inside the Library, and to [Pellettieri Associates Inc.](#) for the fresh winter greens door wreath (on Depot St. side.)

## Health insurance Help



We have some helpful **booklets about Medicare supplemental plans vs. Medicare Advantage plans.**



**Medicare Plan** comparisons can be found at [www.medicare.gov/plan-compare](http://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare). Call **Merrimack County ServiceLink** at 1-866-634-9412 or **603-228-6625** to ask questions or see if you could qualify for any Medicare **cost saving** programs.

**Hometown Senior Solutions** can help you find a Medicare program 603-441-2365. They navigate both VA and Medicare [www.hometownseniorsolutions.com/](http://www.hometownseniorsolutions.com/)

**Open enrollment period for healthcare insurance:** some plans changed, some new ones available. **Enroll/change by Dec. 15 for Jan. 1 start.** [HealthCare.gov](http://HealthCare.gov)  
**Free trained help** with enrolling or changing Medicaid, CHIP, or Health Insurance Market Place is available from grant-funded **Foundation for Healthy Communities** in Concord: <https://healthynh.org/initiatives/access-to-care/get-covered/> (603) 415-4256.

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

**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! You can save \$\$ for yourself AND in taxes by reducing Transfer station tipping fees.

### Hold off on using AI for frivolous uses?

"the number of data centers worldwide has nearly doubled in the last 10 years, and when combined, they consume as much electricity per year as the entire country of Italy."  
<https://www.npr.org/2024/07/10/nx-s1-5028558/artificial-intelligences-thirst-for-electricity>

**"A bottle of water per email: the hidden environmental costs of using AI chatbots"**  
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/technology/2024/09/18/energy-ai-use-electricity-water-data-centers/>

**Recycling and Transfer Station:** sorting Metal, Aluminum, Mixed paper and corrugated cardboard earn \$\$ and reduce costs for Warner. Plastics #1 and #2 (clear/green and laundry/milkbottles) are recycled. **"clamshell" style boxes** are not recyclable.

**Staples** will accept electronics, and ink/toner cartridges. **Goodwill** will take electronics.

**ON HOLD:** Please do not bring **Stretchy plastics** to the **United Church of Warner**. Clean grocery bags and ziplock bags may be dropped in the box inside Market Basket. The Food Pantry needs clean bags. OR use your own **reusable bags for shopping!**

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/>

## Arts, Music, Games, etc

**The Local:** 5-8 pm Thu, **Dec. 12** [Joel Begin Live](#), Thu, 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:** 12/14 Badger's Drift, 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  
**Paint and Sip** Sunday Dec. 14, 4-6 pm [facebook.com/events/1124314769182457](https://facebook.com/events/1124314769182457)

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



**Indoor Pickleball** in the Simonds School gym, Mondays and Fridays 6:30-8 pm. 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. NOT if KRSD cancels after School activities, or closed such as for winter break Dec. 23-Jan. 1).

**Other Event listings online :** [warner.lib.nh.us/warner-events-calendar](http://warner.lib.nh.us/warner-events-calendar), [nh365.org](http://nh365.org), [visitchnh.gov](http://visitchnh.gov), [kearsargecalendar.com](http://kearsargecalendar.com), [nhhumanities.org/programs/upcoming](http://nhhumanities.org/programs/upcoming), [centerfortheartsnh.org](http://centerfortheartsnh.org), [Arts\\_calendar](http://Arts_calendar), [facebook.com/NHMusicCollective/](http://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's** next monthly meeting will be Wednesday December 18 at 7 pm at the club building. A reminder: the new range hours are in effect now. 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.

## Health and Helping Hands

**Warner Area Food Pantry** needs funds to replace old appliances. The target is \$2898. **Donations** can be mailed to Warner Connects NH, PO Box 402, Warner, NH 03278, or at: <https://www.warnerconnectsnh.org/>, or dropped off Tue-Thur. 10-1pm. Thank you!

**Family Closet Thrift Store** Open Weds and Saturdays 10am-4pm 603-456-2183.  
**Closed Dec. 22 - Jan. 31.**  
No new item donations accepted from Dec. 12 until February!

**Warner Area Food Pantry.**  
[www.warnerconnectsnh.org](http://www.warnerconnectsnh.org).  
**Wish List:** Canned Beets, Creamed Corn, Canned Spinach, Brownie/Quick Bread mixes, Coffee & Tea  
**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)

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

**Belknap-Merrimack County Community Action** has office hours in Warner at 49 W. Main Street. **Tuesdays 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](http://COVIDTests.gov).

# Volunteer!

**Family Closet Thrift Store:** 603-456-2183 familyclosetwcnh@gmail.com. **Needed: store volunteers.** Interested in helping from home? Be a coordinator of schedules, take home laundry (weekly), plastic bag folder. Note: Fashion show postponed to Spring.

## 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!)

**Lavender Fields at Pumpkin Blossom Farm** is opening up the store for three Saturdays of **holiday Shopping: Dec. 14**, 10am to 2pm. Complimentary cup of lavender white hot cocoa. **Holiday order pickup** hours are from 12:00pm - 4:00pm Monday - Friday. <https://www.pumpkinblossomfarm.com/>

Monica Rico: **block printing workshops** in a little studio in Henniker, NH. In Block Printing Basics learn to design, carve, and print on paper. In Block Printed Textiles learn the same design and carving skills, but print on fabric. Workshops scheduled now through February. woodthrushfarmer@gmail.com 603.568.1562

NEW: **T'ai Chi Ch'uan** classes at Bradford Town Hall by Blake McNeill weekly: \$80/mo mblakemcNeill@gmail.com, 603-748-0103

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

**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 our **Notecard images** so if you don't see that, you are MISSING OUT!

## At Your Library

Many thanks to all who have already responded to our annual appeal letter by sending donations! If you lost the envelope or did not get one, you can [donate online](#), drop at library, or send to Pillsbury Free Library, PO Box 299, Warner NH 03278. Thank you!

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

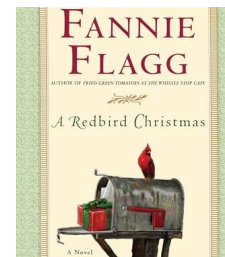
### Book Discussion Groups

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/](http://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](http://starhop.com) for SHOW schedules (add \$7 /show/person).

**The Currier Museum of Art** in Manchester [currier.org](http://currier.org) is 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](http://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, Tues. and FRIDAY only to Dec. 20, 2024.

## 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. !

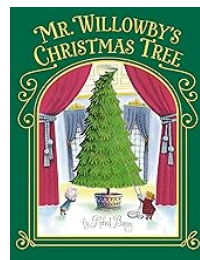


**Saturday, Dec. 21st - Winter Solstice event at The Indian Museum,**

**5-7:00pm. This is the last 250th event. Miss Sue will be reading a story at 5:15 and 6:15. Slide show and cocoa!**

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

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



**The next After School Craft is Tuesday Dec. 17th, 3-4:15pm. This one is at the library.** Call Miss Sue and Mrs. Grimes to register if your child attends Simonds school.

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

**The next spring play will be --- "KID FRANKENSTEIN".** See Miss Sue for a script and details. **More actors needed!**

**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](#).

## 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!***

Students: sign-up **by Dec. 15** for **WYSA skiing and snowboarding**. Program runs on Thursday evenings, 1/2/25 to 1/30/25. Instruction by **Pats Peak** followed by an hour of free skiing with WYSA Chaperones. Parents must provide own transportation. Register **through the Pats Peak website**, click on Learn to Ski and Ride. Create an account and use code Kearsarge2025. For more: Glen Moyer baldeagle03251@yahoo.com

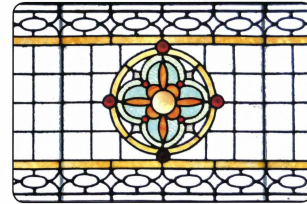
**Pokemon Club** meets at the Library the 2nd Tues. of the month, 3-5 pm - all welcome.

## **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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