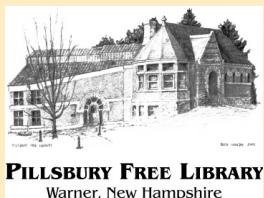


Warner News and Events ~ Dec. 18, 2025 from Pillsbury Free Library



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

You can request books / contact us
by phone 603-456-2289,
Library.WarnerNH.gov/contact-us,
or via the **catalog** at
<https://pillsbury.nhais.bywatersolutions.com/>

NEXT ISSUE: The Christmas week issue will be minimal or none. Happy Holidays!
Please submit New Year's events to newsletter@library.warnerNH.gov by

Tues. Dec. 30 for a Wed. Dec. 31 issue!

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This Weekend



Come view the Festival of Trees inside Warner Town Hall, open every day 8 am -7 pm until January 4. Decorated by local groups. While there, write a thank you to Town Employees and officials to post on the inner door!

Dec. 20-21

Barn Sale pop-ups at the Upton Chandler House 10 W. Main St, Warner. **Saturday, Dec. 20**, and **Sunday Dec. 21**, 9am to noon. Seasonal decoration and home goods!

Crochet with Susan Jenna Saturdays, December 20 & 27, 9:30-10:30 am in the Library. All ages including adult (parents requested to assist with under- 8 yr olds).

Dec. 20 Annual Community Sing: caroling at **Waterloo covered bridge**, 6:45pm. Next clear evening if bad weather. Led by Kendra West-Senor. Lyric sheets available - or bring your own. Bring a flashlight and wrap up warmly!

Dec 21, 12 PM. Join Church members to sing carols to local shut-ins around Warner. First day "officially" of winter, **Sunday December 21!** Happy Solstice!

Dec. 21, 4-7 pm [Reed's North](#) **Music:** Jimmy Howe

Warner People / in the Media

InterTown Record Tues. Dec. 16: article about the **Kearsarge Regional School District budget**. Copies available at the library.

Correction to last week's note: The **InterTown** has announced it will be published in PRINT every 2 weeks instead of weekly, but **online weekly**, starting in January 2026.

Warner Fall Foliage Festival grant requests, approved Wed. Dec. 17 by attendees: **Habitat For Humanity**: \$4500 towards a roof replacement for a Warner family.

The Town of Warner Emergency Management and Fire Department: \$1000 for a replacement television for emergency operations

Main Street Warner: \$5,500 for new lighting around the Jim Mitchell Community Park & Amphitheater

Warner Connects Food Pantry: \$820.81 replacement grocery carts for the food pantry delivery team.

Warner Family Closet: 127.94 for new display stand and mannequin.

Friends of the Concord/Lake Sunapee Rail Trail: \$2,000 for continued construction along the rail trail from Tom pond road to route 103

New Hampshire Telephone Museum: \$1,064 for a new AED machine and installation

Food for Thought: \$3,000 towards providing supplementary food for local school children.

KCLT: \$2,000 to repair plumbing at the Foster farm

Note: these grants were made possible by the hard work of the WFFF board, volunteers, attendees, and sponsors of the annual Warner Fall Foliage Festival! **Well Done!**

Articles about Warner: The library clips and saves news by and about Warner people. Please save any Warner items in the Union Leader or Boston Globe please save for us!

Warner Town News

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

Select Board Meeting

Fri. Dec. 19 at 9:30 am nonpublic (hiring)

Precinct Commissioners

Wed., Dec. 24, 3:30 – 4:30pm

Town Clerk office closed Wed Dec 24.

Library closed Dec 24 & 2& Jan 1.

Transfer station and Town offices

Closed Dec. 25 & Jan. 1

Select Board Meeting

Tues., Dec. 30, 6:00 – 8:00pm

Agendas (often with Zoom Link) are at

<https://warnerNH.gov/agenda/> Updates:

-Please check agenda AND calendar

Kearsarge Regional School District

www.facebook.com/KearsargeSAU65

School Board Meeting - 6:30 pm

Thurs. January 8 (New London)

Kearsarge Professional Devel Ctr, New London or Zoom

[https://www.kearsarge.org/district/family-community/pages/calendars](http://www.kearsarge.org/district/family-community/pages/calendars)

Deliberative session for KRSD warrant articles: **Sat. Jan. 10** at KRMS, 9 am.

"Snow" date January 17.

School Facilities Tour at NLES Wed.

Jan. 7, 5:30pm & Board Meeting,

6:30pm Public welcome.

SURVEY Extended! The Warner Housing Committee (aka HOP Grant 2 Committee) survey is open through January 2, 2026. <https://SurveyMonkey.com/r/WarnerHousing2025>

Warner Food Pantry will be **closed the week of Dec. 22-26**. Opening at 3pm on Tues. Dec. 30. Office hours for drop-offs are now only Tues. and Wed. 10am -1 pm

December Property Tax Payments were due Dec. 11: Late payments are now being charged 8% **annual** interest. What does that mean? How does one calculate the actual total amount due?

1) Calculate the number of days payment is overdue. For example, if sending payment on December 21, the number of days overdue is 10.

2) Multiply the original amount due by 0.08 to calculate the annual interest. Divide that annual interest by 365 to calculate the daily interest. Then, multiply the daily fee by the number of days overdue to get the interest due.

3) Add the interest due to the amount of your property tax bill.

The late fee due is calculated as of the postmarked envelope or in-person payment.

Partial payments are allowed. The Tax Office can also accept payments by credit card in person and over the telephone. warnernh.gov/departments/taxes/

The **Supervisors of the Checklist** will meet in a Public Session on the 2nd floor of the Warner Town Hall from 10 to 11 AM on **Friday, January 2, 2026**.

'Tis the Season



Season's Greetings to all from the Library staff!
Pictured here, L-R: Marcia, Sue, Casey, Nancy and Roger, in front of a quilt loaned by Janice Cutting.

Crochet in the Library with Susan Jenna, December Saturdays, 9:30-10:30 am. All ages including adult (parents requested to assist with under- 8 yr olds).

United Church of Warner: Dec 21, 12 PM. sing carols to shut-ins around Warner.
Every Sunday at 10 AM: Worship services featuring live appearances from the historical figures who wrote your favorite Christmas hymns. Coffee and refreshments after worship.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service. Thurs, **Dec. 24**, at 6:30 PM. An offering will be taken to support local charity organizations.

Last minute gift shopping? Buy Local! T-Shirts, jewelery, crafts, books, art, toys! Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum store, NH Telephone Museum Store, Warner Historical Society (see Dec 20-21), MainStreet BookEnds, Buttonwood Store, or a gift card for one of our great eateries, or sessions at a photographer, massage or hair salon? Thrift Store? Or at the library, our popular large cotton [Tote/Book bag](#) \$10. Or notecards with our colorful Library stained glass images (see picture and link at the end of this newsletter).

Reed's North: Dec. 31 New Year's Eve Chinese Food packed to go, bar open to 8pm

Extended **Holiday hours** at MainStreet BookEnds: **Tues. through Sat. 10 am to 6 pm**
Ross Mingarelli's CandleTree Soy Candles are now at **The Local !**

CHRISTMAS TREES. **Henniker Farm Store** still has a few trees left. Most other local sources are sold out!

BUY LOCAL! Many local businesses are listed at [/kearsargechamber.org/page/members](http://kearsargechamber.org/page/members)
<https://www.facebook.com/Buttonwood.shop> <https://www.mainstreetbookends.com/>



Ice Rink news: facebook.com/WarnerParksAndRecreation

From Parks and Rec: THANK YOU!!!! To all the people who helped get the rink liner and rink together, and the Fire Dept for filling it - for 2 days!

Looking ahead at the warmer weather, the **Ice Rink at Bagley Park** will be **closed through Friday** this week. Please stay off the ice during the warmer weather. Once the ice is hard again, we will open the gate again. **Looking for some gently used ice skates** for our community to use. If you have some sitting around in good shape please donate them. These can be dropped off in the Warming Hut at Bagley Park off Route 103.

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!

Warner Groups and Museums

Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum HOURS: through April, the museum is open **Fridays and Saturdays** 10am-4pm, with tours at 10:30am and 1:30pm. **Holiday Sale** at the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum Gift Shop: 10-35% OFF store-wide — Fridays & Saturdays only! Native American art, jewelry, books, and handcrafted gifts.

Warner Historical Society The Main Street Office (15 W. Main St.) is open 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Tuesdays and by appointment. info@warnerhistorical.org or leave a message at 603-456-2437.

Barn Sale pop-ups at the Upton Chandler House 10 W. Main St, **Saturday**, Dec., 20, and **Sunday** Dec. 21, 9am to noon. Seasonal decoration and home goods!

NH Telephone Museum

The New Hampshire Telephone Museum has received a grant from the **Warner Fall Foliage Festival** Committee to support the purchase of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED), a critical, life-saving medical device that will enhance safety for visitors, staff, volunteers and community members.

Dec. hours: Saturday 10 am-2 pm and Tuesday 10-4. **January- April Hours:** Fridays 10-4 and Saturdays, 10 am-2 pm

Warner Firefighters Museum is open **Sat. 10 am to 3pm December 20.**

Saturday Night Communion In The Chapel at United Church of Warner. at the back entrance of the Parish House, The first Sat every month, **at 4 PM.**

Dec 21, 12 PM. Join us as we travel around Warner to sing carols to local shut-ins.

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More Arts, Music, Games, etc

The **Friends of the Bradford Town Hall Theater** are kicking things off with a staged reading of Rebecca Rule's play, "Town Meeting," just in time for Bradford's Town Meeting in March! We are currently searching for actors to perform this staged reading, as well as behind-the-scenes and front of house support. There's a role for everyone to play!

Auditions and info session on Sunday, Jan. 4, 2026 at 2pm at the Bradford Town Hall Theater. The show is set for Friday, March 6, 2026 at 7pm with a snow date of March 7.

Reed's North: Music SUNDAYS 4-7 pm. Dec. 21 Jimmy Howe.

Warner's Writer's Group First Tuesday of every month 6:30-7:45 PM (**Jan. 6**) at Pillsbury Free Library (Frank Maria Meeting Room), Enjoy an hour+ of dedicated writing time.

The Local: Music most Thursdays 5-8 pm.

Other Event listings online : <https://library.warnernh.gov/news-and-events/>, nh365.org, visitnh.gov, kearsargecalendar.com nhhumanities.org/programs/upcoming, centerforheartsnh.org Arts calendar, facebook.com/NHMusicCollective/

Tech Tips: AI etc

An article shared by Hooksett Librarian Mark Glisson: [Adobe Photoshop is now built into ChatGPT for free – and you don't need graphic design skills to use it](https://www.techradar.com/news/adobe-photoshop-is-now-built-into-chatgpt-for-free-and-you-don-t-need-graphic-design-skills-to-use-it) | TechRadar

At Your Library

Link to list of new adult books [December 2025](#)) More added next week!

New Children's Items in our catalog: [October](#), [November](#), and [STEM KITS](#),



We just added a second Digital Radon Monitor to loan. So easy to use!

See other handy items in our ["Library of Things" collection](#) including a **code reader** for cars, **DVD players**, CD and VHS players, a selfie stick, a **Kill-a-Watt meter**, and puzzles! Need a sewing machine? Use ours! You can even book time in the meeting room to use it instead of lugging it home.

Vacation activities! Borrow our [Puzzles or Games](#), or a [pass to visit a Museum!](#)
(Note: some are unavailable in Winter)

Museum and Parks passes for free or reduced admission are available:
Full list and more details at: <https://library.warnernh.gov/services/passes-2/>

A few Museum happenings:

[McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center](#) Wed. through Sun., 10:30 AM – 4 PM.
ALSO Open on Monday, Dec. 29 and Tues, Dec. 30 and New Year's Eve Wed, Dec. 31. closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.
3 pm Planetarium Show for **December 17-31**, show is Asteroid – Mission Extreme.
For other shows check [starhop.com/planetarium](#).
Borrow our pass! Special First Friday events and Sky watches.

[The MFA](#) (Boston): new exhibit ["Rachel Ruysch: Artist, Naturalist, and Pioneer"](#).
["Of Light and Air: Winslow Homer"](#) Watercolors: timed tickets needed (includes general admission) \$10 with a library promo code.

[Currier Museum of Art](#) 1/2 price with our passes. special exhibit [Embellish Me: Works from the Collection of Norma Canelas Roth and William Roth](#).

[Museum of Science](#) in Boston, all year, for 1/2 price entry!

Find the most recent OverDrive/Libby [audiobooks](#) and [ebooks](#). Try free [digital magazines](#)!

Miss Sue's Library News (for Kids)



New Hampshire students in third through fifth grade, home schooled and in traditional classes, are invited to participate in the **Water Poetry Contest**. Submission deadline: **March 31, 2026**. For more information on all three events and to register, visit the [New Hampshire Drinking Water Festival & Science Fair website](#) or contact Lara Hooper at lara.hooper@des.nh.gov or (603) 271-4071.



Calling all young actors and actresses! If you love, or want to try theater, please contact Miss Sue. We need a few more kids to join the cast for the next play [A Christmas Carol](#) by Charles Dickens (adapted by K. S. Miller) to be presented May 9 at Town Hall. **Rehearsals Wednesdays** at 3 pm, Jan.-May.

Family Crochet days are continuing! Saturdays, Dec. 20, and 27 at 9:30-10:30am in the library meeting room with **Sue Jenna of Warner 4-H Club**. Come learn, or help others - adults welcome too!

This year's [Ladybug Award](#) books are here. They are all available to take out. If you haven't voted for your favorite, Miss Sue has a sheet on her desk to cast a vote. Soon we will know which one wins to be the Ladybug book of the year!

Preschooler Story times every Thurs. at **10:30am** with Miss Sue: stories, songs, fingerplays, and a craft - in the Children's Room.

Saturday Story times are back! Monthly: at 10:30am, **January 17th, February 21st, March 21st, April 18th, and May 16th**.

New Children's Items in our catalog: [September](#), [October](#), [November](#) and [STEM KITS](#),

December holiday books and DVD's are now available. Come in and get some for the long cold days and nights and snow days!

Happy first day "officially" of winter, **Sunday December 21st!**

The Library book discussion group will not meet in January. The next meeting will be on February 11, 2026 at 1:30 pm in the library to discuss *The Lost Bookshop*.

BookEnds BookGroup meets at 4pm on the **first Friday** every **other month** at MainStreet BookEnds. Next meeting Friday Feb. 6 at 4 pm at the bookstore. We will discuss 'The Measure' by Nikki Erlick. www.facebook.com/events/1929316971799217

News to Use

Time for a Scroll-Free January?

In a recent New York Times op-ed, Ezra Klein notes that algorithms do not necessarily show us what we **want to see**, but rather **what we cannot look away from**. [Gift article from NYT](#), shared by Bobbi Slossar of NH State Library along with these thoughts: On modern social media platforms, we spend surprisingly little time engaging with content from the people who matter most to us. On Instagram, only about 7 percent of time is spent viewing posts from friends and family (approximately 14 percent on Facebook). More importantly, social media algorithms are **designed to capture and hold attention**.

Common Sense Media [surveyed](#) pre-adult teens and discovered that **half of the teen respondents used AI chatbots for companionship** because they offered safer and more accepting alternatives to risk-filled human relationships.

Kearsarge School District

School District online store <https://merchloop.com/collections/kearsarge> or on www.kearsarge.org click on the tab in the upper right hand titled: "Kearsarge Gear Store."

"Understanding Our School Facilities as We Plan for the Future": As the district undergoes a Comprehensive Facilities Review: to understand the age, size, and evolution of the buildings. See an overview at: facebook.com/KearsargeSAU65?ref=embed_page

Helping Hands

Family Closet Thrift Store .

Open Weds. and Saturdays 10am-4pm
603-456-2183. Volunteers needed. Winter clothing! familyclosetcnh@gmail.com

Warner Area Food Pantry

December Wish List: Dinty Moore Beef Stew, Canned Hash, Canned Pasta, Body Lotion, Face Tissues
www.warnerconnectsnh.org

Drop off items during office hours only, **Tues. & Wed.** 10-1pm. Thank you!

CLOSED Dec. 22-26

Pantry Client Hours: [Facebook](#)

OPEN Tues 12/30, 3-6, Closed Thurs. 1/1
TUES. 4-6 pm & THURS. 11:00am- 1:00 pm.

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 - hours by appointment: Contact [Warner Welfare office](#) at 603-456-3004 or 456-2298 x1229, or email help@WarnerNH.gov. Urgent? [Dial 211](#)

AA Meetings: Weekly Sat. 7:00 – 8:00pm, Mon. 6:30-7:30pm, and Wed. 7:30-8:30 pm at the United Church of Warner. nhaa.net/meetings/warner-group

Legal help: <https://www.603legalaid.org/>

Warner Helping Warner, etc

To donate to the **Warner Food Pantry**, online at www.warnerconnectsnh.org or by mail at P.O. Box 402, Warner, NH 03278. Food and personal care items can also be dropped off.

Reed's North "Friendly Freezer" is still preparing meals on Mondays to donate - contact them to see if you can help! Not a cook? Help package the meals!

Outdoors and Sports

Watch for details of a community Fun day in January (at the old Ski Tow on Mink Hill?)

Local sports news and signup www.warnerparksandrec.com/ or Warnersports.org/

Indoor Pickleball at Simond's: Mondays and Fridays 6:30-8:30pm. NOT Dec. 22 - Jan 2. Use **TeamReach** WarnerNHPB, code WPB21 for attendance. If fewer than 4 sign up in the app, by 2pm it may be cancelled for that date unless comments in app indicate otherwise.

Warner and NH Legislators

The **2025 NH legislative session** is in action!

To comment on a Bill, or to register a position without speaking, look up the bill number and meeting date, then go to the [House testimony page](#) or [Senate testimony page](#)

For more Information on our **elected officials**, how to contact them, and how to watch or comment on legislation in NH or Congress has been placed **on our new website** to save space: <https://library.warnernh.gov/local-info/legislative-representatives-for-warner-n-h/>

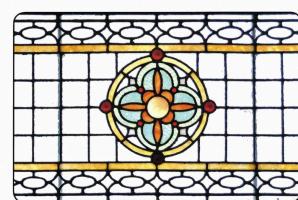
Your Donations Keep Library Services Strong!

Library Trustee meetings include the **Monthly Board Meeting on the third Tuesday of each month** (at 6:30 pm, in person). Trustee meetings are posted 24-48 hours in advance online and at the USPO and Library, and on the [Warner Events Calendar](#). Approved minutes are published on the [Trustee Minutes page](#).



Buy 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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