

## Pillsbury Free Library, Warner, NH ~ March 6, 2025



**PILLSBURY FREE LIBRARY**  
Warner, New Hampshire

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**Wed.** 1 - 5 pm

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## Local News from Your Library

Sent to over **1070** contacts! "only" **63%** 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 March 11 for March 13 issue!

## Town & School News

"Spring Ahead" **Sunday March 9:** clocks change **one hour ahead**.

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

### Agricultural Commission Meeting

Monday, March 10, 7:00pm

### ELECTION DAY (Town and School)

Tuesday, March 11, 7:00am – 7:00pm

### Precinct Commissioners

Wednesday, March 12, 3:30 – 4:30pm

### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Wednesday, March 12, 6:00pm

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

**2024 Annual Town Report.** An on-line version is available on the Warner website at [https://warnernh.gov/meetings/minutes/town/2024\\_Annual\\_Report.pdf](https://warnernh.gov/meetings/minutes/town/2024_Annual_Report.pdf)

Printed copies are available to pick-up at Town Hall and Pillsbury Free Library, and other places in Warner. There will be NO POSTAL MAILING of the report.

### Kearsarge Regional School District

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

### School Board Meetings - Thursdays

(Prof. bldg 165 Main St. New London)

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

**Kearsarge Regional Preschool** is now accepting applications for 2025-26

<https://www.kearsarge.org/kmps-bradford-and-new-london/pages/apply>

Now Hiring **School Bus Drivers** for KRSD. \$26.00 per hour. Apply today OR SHARE with someone who might be interested! Apply: <https://bit.ly/4f0FiLd>

**Red Cross Blood Drive:** Fri. March 14, 12 - 5 pm at United Church of Warner.

## Warner People

Condolences to the family of life long Warner resident **Robert Dean Smith** who passed away February 27, 2025, age 91. A celebration of Life will be held at the United Church of Warner on **Saturday, March 8 at 11AM** with a light luncheon following. [Obituary](#)

Also, to the family of **Geraldine Ordway** who passed away December 3, 2024.

Other 2024 deaths, marriages and births are recorded in the [2024 Annual Town Report](#).

**WARNER CANDIDATES:** If you missed the candidate forum event on Tuesday, March 4 at Warner Town Hall, you can **watch the recording by Yankee Cable News** at <https://ycnnow.com/2025/03/06/2025-lwv-warner-candidates-forum/> . The candidates are:  
**Selectboard** - 1 opening for a 3-year term: Alfred Hanson, Derek Narducci  
**Budget Committee:** 2 for 3-yr terms: Michael Cutting, Kelly Lombardi, James F. Sherman. This event was Sponsored and moderated by the **League of Women Voters of the Kearsarge/Sunapee Area**, a non-partisan organization.

**Stephen Bower** is the newest School bus Driver for KRSD - congratulations and Thanks!

Last Fall a **Warner Beautification Group** formed to spruce up public buildings, starting with clean up and Fall plantings at the Highway Dept./Transfer Station sign, Police Station, Fire Station, Town Hall urns and Exit 8 "Welcome to Warner" sign areas. In Dec. the group decorated trees at the Town Hall and the fountain. Plantings were mostly privately funded. **The group would like to expand** in 2025 for Summer planting, occasional weeding and weekly watering, Fall Mums, planting more Spring bulbs, and decorative Winter Town Hall greens. A willingness to have dirty knees and hands is all that's required! Stop by the sign up table on Election Day at the Town Hall or Email [kathy.carson50@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.carson50@gmail.com) to join the fun. There will be a group meeting later in March.

## Warner Voting

**Town Elections** will be held Tuesday, March 11, 2025, 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM Warner Town Hall, for Official Officers and three (3) questions. There is also a Zoning Ballot and School Ballot . [Sample Ballot](#) [Sample Zoning Ballot](#) [School Ballot](#) [Application for Absentee ballot](#) [Proposed Floodplain Development Ordinance Changes](#)

**Town Meeting** for discussion of other warrant articles is Wednesday, March 12, 2025 Starting at 6:00 PM at Warner Town Hall. [Town Warrant MS-737](#) [Budget spreadsheet](#)

Residents will be VOTING on **March 11** on TWO possible changes:

1. Whether to merge the two jobs of **Town Clerk and Tax Collector** (when you vote for new officials in 2026). 2. Whether to increase the Selectboard size from 3 to 5 members.

The changes would not happen until elections in March 2026. [Sample Ballot](#)

Some discussion of the tax collector change was held at a recent meeting:

2025-03-04 [Select Board](#) Passcode: \$m@!en5B <https://warnernh.gov/videos/?filter=sel>

## Misc. Town News

The 2025 **Revaluation Timeline** has been posted to the Assessing page. [download it](#).

At Town Meeting on Wed., March 12, the Town will vote on modifying the "**Elderly tax Exemption**" to adjust the median home value. It was last adjusted in 2006 when that value was \$180K. It is now \$428K. Only low income, low-asset seniors qualify, with the % exemption based on age. For more information see Assessing Clerk Elizabeth Labbe.

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

The Town of Warner is seeking volunteers for the **Housing Opportunity Planning Grant II Committee (HOP II)**. If interested, please fill out a [Volunteer Interest Form](#) and return in person to the Landuse office, or by email to [landuse@warnernh.gov](mailto:landuse@warnernh.gov). by March 20, 2025.

# Seasonal Stuff

**Pancake Breakfast:** The Bradford NH Fire Rescue will be hosting a "free" pancake breakfast at the station March 8, 7:30 - 10 am. Donations accepted.

The first **total lunar eclipse** since 2022 will cause the moon to turn red over North America! March 13-14 (In the wee hours!) <https://bit.ly/4kkgNLx>

## **Warner Maple Weekend:**

**Pancake Breakfast:** March 15 and 16 at United Church of Warner, to benefit the Warner Historical Society and the Church. **7:30-11:00 am.** \$15, age 7-12 \$7. Warner maple syrup.

**Six sap houses will be demonstrating how they turn sap into maple syrup** and other maple treats: Baker's Syrup, Courser Farm, Rogers Maple Syrup and Turyn's Tap'n & Sap'n and What's Sappenin. **Maps available** at the Town Hall, Pillsbury Free Library, MainStreet BookEnds, and at the sap houses.

**Warner Town Hall:** Maple tasting - taste and vote! 9 am - 1 pm both Sat. and Sunday.

**Maple Weekend T-shirts** featuring a historical painting of Flanders' Sugar House, by Charlie Brown and will be available at the Town Hall.

**Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum:** Explore how Native Americans first made maple syrup! Snowshoe hike, scavenger hunt, historical displays, and tasty treats like acorn flour pancakes with local maple syrup. The outdoor events are free but regular admission applies to tour the museum. 10 am - 4 pm Saturday.

**Pillsbury Free Library: Saturday** Story time at 10 am with a craft, and a Library **Open House/Social Sat. 10:30—12:30 pm:** meet the library Friends, Trustees and Staff and enjoy Maple themed snacks, and hot beverages. See our new tables and chairs!

**Warner Public Market** will have Warner-made maple products. **Yankee Farmer's Market** will have free samples and family farm activities. **MainStreet Bookends Gallery** is featuring the works of over 30 local artists. The **NH Telephone Museum** will be open 10-4 **Spaghetti dinner**, Warner Town Hall, **Sat. March 15, 5 to 7 pm** -(4H Ox-bows fundraiser).

## Warner Legislators

**How to watch or express your views as NH laws are proposed and discussed:**

[Senate calendar](#), [House Calendar](#) (use arrows to move to other dates). **Click on a calendar item** to see details, find a link to join on Zoom, watch the YouTube live stream.

**Senate Livestream and recordings:** [www.youtube.com/@NewHampshireSenate](http://www.youtube.com/@NewHampshireSenate)

**House Livestream and recordings:** [www.youtube.com/@NHHouseofRepresentatives](http://www.youtube.com/@NHHouseofRepresentatives)

**Warner's NH Legislator contact pages:** <https://gencourt.state.nh.us/house/members/>

NH Senate **District 07:** Senator [Dan Innis](#)

NH House Reps: **District 8** [Tony M Caplan](#), [Eileen S Kelly](#), [Stephanie R Payeur](#)

**Governor** Kelly Ayotte [governorayotte@governor.nh.gov](mailto:governorayotte@governor.nh.gov)

**To speak at a committee hearing**, 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](#) Bill search [General Court home page](#). [www.gencourt.state.nh.us](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us).)

**US Congress Rep, District 2: Maggie Goodlander:** <https://goodlander.house.gov/>

House Live Stream and calendar <https://live.house.gov/>

**US Senators:** [www.senate.gov/states/NH/intro.htm](http://www.senate.gov/states/NH/intro.htm) [Maggie Hassan](#) & [Jeanne Shaheen](#)

Senate calendar and webcast: [https://www.senate.gov/legislative/legislative\\_home.htm](https://www.senate.gov/legislative/legislative_home.htm)

**Congressional transcripts** and summaries at [www.congress.gov/congressional-record](http://www.congress.gov/congressional-record)

File IRS taxes online - <https://directfile.irs.gov/>

**1040 and 1040 SR Tax form** and instructions are available at the Library. [www.irs.gov/](http://www.irs.gov/)

**Hopkinton AARP Tax-Aide** prepares Tax returns, free, by appointment only, at the Hopkinton Town Library, 61 Houston Drive in Contoocook on Wednesdays and Thursdays between 9:45 am and 1:30 pm starting on 2/5/2025 through 4/10/2025. For an appointment or more information, call 211 or 866-444-4211 or [www.nhtaxhelp.org](http://www.nhtaxhelp.org)

## Arts, Music, Games, etc

**Kearsarge Regional High School and the Kearsarge Actors Guild** proudly present the Winter One-Act Plays **Fri. March 7, 7 pm and Sat. March 8, 5 pm. \$5**

1. How to Get Away with a Murder Mystery by Don Zolidis, 2. Check Please by Jonathan Rand, 3. In the Forests of the Night by Del Martin -- mature situations and themes.

All performances in KRHS auditorium. [www.facebook.com/events/527420219768659](https://www.facebook.com/events/527420219768659)

Save the Date: **Skywatch** event in Warner by NH Astronomical Society, **March 27 or 28!** Date dependent on clouds/ weather. Sponsored by the Library. Details soon.

**Indoor Pickleball** in the Simonds School gym, Mon. and Fri. 6:30-8:30 pm. Except days school is closed or no after school activities. Free. Use TeamReach app: code WPB21

**Vincent van Gogh's paintings** of the postman Joseph Roulin and his family will be on exhibit starting March 30 at the MFA in Boston. Timed-entry tickets are required for this special exhibition! [Book early to guarantee your preferred entry date](#) and time. **Ask the Library about a promo code discount for museum entry.**

**Simonds School Lip Sync** will be at Warner Town Hall, Friday March 14, 6 pm.

Donations will go directly to PTO for future events and playground purchases!

**The Local:** Music Thursdays 5-8 pm [March 6 Jack Ancora](#), [March 13 Frontwoods](#)

**Team Trivia Nights:** Weds at 6 pm. The Local now has **Monday** hours **11-8!**

**Reed's North: Tavern Nights Sat. 6-9 pm:** March 8: [Open Mic with Jody Robichaud](#)  
**Sunday March 16:** Celebrate **St Patrick's** Reed's style! Kegs & Eggs at 8 am. Special Menu, green beer & fun drinks all day. Music kicks off at 12:30 pm with local favorite Joe Leary. Wayne St Jacques at 4pm

**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!

## History, Museums and Groups

[NH Telephone Museum](#) is seeking a part-time seasonal Receptionist/Tour Guide – 6 hrs/ week (Saturdays) May – December, with potential for additional hours and growth.

**March Open dates:** Tuesdays, and Saturday 1st and 15th

Note: the Museum will be closed on Saturday, March 29th - PBS Filming on Location

[Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum](#) March and April, the museum is open **Fridays** only, 10-4, with tours at 10:30am and 1:30pm. Check the [new website design!](#)

**MKIM membership** is invaluable and directly contributes to the ability to enhance exhibits, events, and educational programs. **Beginning April 1st**, there will be small increases in membership fees. [Renew now](#) if you'd like to renew or join at current rates.



Join friends at Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum for an exciting and refreshing **Spring Social** on **Saturday, March 22, 2025, from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM**. This event is open to the public! Enjoy a fun-filled day with a potluck meal - please bring your favorite dish to share. There will be social dancing with two drums, featuring the Walking Bear Singers and Black Thunder Singers. Feel free to bring your craft projects and get creative as a community. Admission is free, but in lieu of a fee, a **donation of a non-perishable food item for the Warner Food Pantry** would be greatly appreciated.

**Warner Fish and Game club** is asking for raffle items for the children's fishing Derby in April. (Examples: gift cards, Maple syrup, Gift baskets, toys, tools, sports items, games, puzzles, Anything to do with fishing). Next monthly meeting will be March 26 at 7 pm.

**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, [facebook.com/NHMusicCollective/](https://facebook.com/NHMusicCollective/)

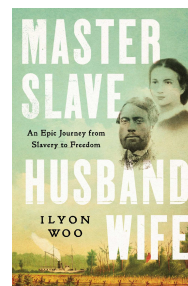
## At Your Library

### Book Discussion Groups

The **library book discussion group** meets the 2nd Wed. each month at **1:30 pm** in the library. All are welcome! The library has copies to borrow up to 4 weeks before the meetings.

**March 12** [Master Slave Husband Wife](#) by Ilyon Woo

**April 9** [Year of No Garbage](#) by Eve O. Schaub



**BookEnds BookGroup** will be meeting at 4pm on the first Friday every **other month**. The next meeting will be on **April 4, 2025**.

You can also request copies for any book group via the library through inter-library loan.

**All Spaces are booked** for the April 12 **Annual Indoor Flea Market** library fundraiser!

We have **Library passes** for free or reduced admission See [Museums & Parks](#) page.

**New!** [Boston Aquarium](#) passes, Jan. - May 2025 for 1/2 price entry with dated vouchers.

**New!** [Museum of Science](#) passes all year, for 1/2 price entry! Call Library 603-456-2289.

**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>

**McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center** Wed-Sun. 10:30 AM - 4:00 PM and vacations. Free with library pass. See [starhop.com](http://starhop.com) for SHOW schedules (add \$7 /show/person), and check out the exhibits at <https://www.starhop.com/exhibits>.

**The Currier Museum of Art** in Manchester [currier.org](http://currier.org) open Wed- Sun. 10am-5pm. and school holidays. 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.

**Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum** Open **Fridays** through April, 10-4, with tours at 10:30 and 1:30. Also open March 15 Maple Day and March 22 for Social. Group tours are also available for groups of 10 or more: Email [education@indianmuseum.org](mailto:education@indianmuseum.org). or call

603-456-2600 to arrange a visit.

[New Hampshire Telephone Museum](#) Open Tuesdays, and Saturdays March 1 & 15..

## Warner Youth

The Warner 4-H Club will meet March 10, 6:30-7:30 PM at the United Church of Warner. New members are always welcome. Contact: [warner4hclub@gmail.com](mailto:warner4hclub@gmail.com)

Kearsarge Regional High School's music department is once again holding their annual **mattress fundraiser Saturday March 22, 10 to 4!** [Info HERE](#)

New Hampshire summer camps and programs, [www.nhmagazine.com/summer-camp](http://www.nhmagazine.com/summer-camp)  
July Summer camps at the **John Hay Estate at The Fells** [Details and registration](#)

**WYSA** (Warner Youth Sports) Spring softball, baseball and Spring Soccer Clinic registration is open: <https://warnersports.org/home> NEW website with easy registrations!

Register now for a WYSA fundraiser **5K Color Run** on **Saturday, May 17** from to 10 am at Riverside Park! This fun-filled, family-friendly event is all about movement, color, and making a difference. [www.donate.schoolathon.org](http://www.donate.schoolathon.org). (campaign ID number is 27018)  
(Note, May 17 is also this year's Spring Into Warner Festival of Arts)

*Are you a teen interested in reading and reviewing books for the Teen books section? Stop by the library on a Monday or Tuesday or call 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. **Call first if bad weather!**



maybe a little luck!

The [St. Patrick's Day](#) books are now out and available. Come in to browse, get some spring inspiration, something green, and

This Sunday, the 9th, don't forget to turn you clocks ahead an hour!

**Pokemon Club** meets at the Library the 2nd Tues. of the month, 3-5 pm. All welcome. Miss Sue walks Simonds students to Library. **Next is March 11th, call to sign up.**

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

**New Children's Items in our catalog:**  
[December](#), [January](#), [February](#) and [STEM KITS](#) or [NATURE KIT backpacks](#)

The next spring play will be "**KID FRANKENSTEIN**". **Performance date is Saturday, May 10, 4:00pm.** Practices are on Wednesdays, 3-5:00pm.



Another reminder to all 4th graders and up to 7th, it's time to really get the reading done. The **Great Stone Face party will be Friday, April 11th 5:30-8PM.** This is a

date change due to the votes having to be in earlier this year. Anyone who has read at least 1 book can come, but the more books you read the better! More details as we get closer to party time!

## Area Business and Farms

[Bagley Pond Perennials](#) is offering pre-order deals: Save 15% when you order a tray of 50 plugs of 5 species each. Also still offering 25% off shipping (or pick up yourself in Warner)

**Lavender Fields at Pumpkin Blossom Farm** in Warner is **now hiring** seasonal team members (16+) for June- August to help with retail sales, U-pick lavender, farm work, and more. <https://www.pumpkinblossomfarm.com/copy-of-join-our-team>

Easter family photos! Easter Mini Dates are now available! Located in downtown Warner <https://tlcphotographylove.pixieset.com/booking/easter-minis>

[Plugged in Music Lesson Studio](#). Zoom, in person, and ensemble music lessons available. From now till April 1st get 30% new sign ups.

**BUY LOCAL!** From local businesses such as those below and others listed at <https://kearsargechamber.org/page/members>

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

In honor of Earth Day, [The Spring Bike Check-up](#) is returning **Sat. April 19!** Be ready! Also that day, **Lamp repairs by Jim McLaughlin:** and we are seeking other workshop volunteers for mending clothes or other items. Contact Nancy Ladd at the library.

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

## Helping Hands

**Family Closet Thrift Store** Open Weds and Saturdays 10am-4pm 603-456-2183. No more winter clothing donations Please. Special: 50% off clothing with any GREEN.

**Warner Area Food Pantry.**  
[www.warnerconnectsnh.org](http://www.warnerconnectsnh.org).

**Wishlist:** The Food Pantry is in need of Canned Beets, Canned Spinach, Canned Cream Corn, 100% juice, juice boxes, Diapers Size 4 & 5

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

**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 at 603-456-3004 or 456-2298 x1229, or email [help@WarnerNH.gov](mailto:help@WarnerNH.gov). If you are having trouble getting through, call 456-2298 x 2.

If you are experiencing a mental health crisis, **call 988** to talk and/ or request help.

**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\\_000021167/](http://nhaa.net/meetings/warner-group_000021167/)

## Your Donations Keep Library Services Strong!

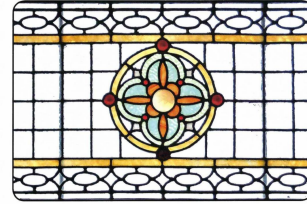
**Library Trustee meetings** include the **Monthly Board Meeting on the third Tuesday of each month (at 6:30 pm, in person)**. Various Committee meetings, some that meet monthly, vary in schedules.

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



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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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