

Pillsbury Free Library, Warner, NH ~ March 27, 2025



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

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

Local News by Your Library

Sent to over **1070** contacts! "only" **67%** 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 April 1 for April 3 issue!

This Weekend



TONIGHT! March 27 Skywatch event at Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, 18 Highlawn Rd, Warner. **FREE. 7:30 pm (darkness at 8 pm) by NH Astronomical Society until 9 pm.**

Clouds are predicted to be minimal, so it's a "Go!"
Wear "twice as much clothing as you think you need", bring a **red light** flashlight if you have one, chairs optional. There may be some snow/ice.

Sponsored by Pillsbury Free Library, the NHAS and Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum.

A partial **Solar eclipse** on **Saturday morning March 29 will start around 6:30 AM** (near sunrise) over NH, ending at 7:13am - unfortunately the weather is predicted to be cloudy.

Watch for **freezing rain, especially Saturday and Sunday, mornings and evenings!**

Saturday March 29: Family Closet Thrift Store 10am- 4pm

Saturday March 29: Reed's North Tavern Night Music by **Mikey G.**, 6-9 pm

Conradance Cosponsored by the [Center for the Arts](#), Saturday, March 29, 6-8 PM

Whipple Hall in New London. \$15 per person

Warner People

Congratulations to **Karinne Heise** for having her photo of Warner **otters** in Winter included in the March readers [photo gallery at Northern Woodlands Magazine](#).

This excellent magazine has regional wildlife articles and photos, and quarterly print issues which can be borrowed from the Library.

Art exhibit: The Carrolls: Four Related Visions, through April 19, at two villages Art Society gallery, 846 Main St., Contoocook. Thurs through Sun Noon to 4 pm David M. Carroll, LAurette Carroll, Sean Carroll, and Riana Frost.

Library funding update: (see March 20 issue for previous details)

It is still uncertain how the March 14, 2025 [Presidential Executive Order](#) directing the minimization of the **Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)** will affect the congressional funds usually directed to each State Library. Those funds are used to run the [NH Interlibrary Loan \(ILL\) system](#), The **Libby app** expenses for [downloadable books and magazines](#), and [Talking Books for the Blind and Physically Handicapped](#). A summary of the legally mandated function of IMLS: https://www.publishersweekly.com/binary-data/ARTICLE_ATTACHMENT/file/000/006/6639-1.pdf.

NHPR news item about NH libraries: <https://www.nhpr.org/nh-news/2025-03-27/how-new-hampshire-libraries-are-bracing-for-potential-funding-cuts?>

Meanwhile, the [NH House finance 1 committee](#) voted on Tuesday 3/25 for a reduced budget for the [DNCR](#), of which the NH State Library is one division, (on Monday they voted to **eliminate the Council on the Arts**, another division of DNCR, and on Tuesday the motion to also **eliminate** the NH State Library was withdrawn). Video of the committee discussion at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TQkT0G9DnSc> go to (-1.26:00) to start.

Find local Library news and events later in this newsletter (Skywatch, book club, Flea Market, children's programs, Bicycle Clinic, lamp repair, etc)!

Warner Meetings & Misc News

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

Selectboard 4 pm Tues. April 1
Public hearing 6 pm (DPW equipment)
Conservation Commission
Wednesday, April 2, 7:00 – 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 Meets - 6:30 pm Thurs Apr.3 (165 Main St. New London)
<https://www.kearsarge.org/district/family-community/pages/calendars>

<https://WarnerNH.gov/TownOfficers.pdf>
Town Officers list has been updated

Catch Housing and some subdivisions:
<https://warnernh.gov/landusecases/>

All Class V roads have been posted for **6 ton limits** until further notice and class VI are still restricted. Contact Road Agent Tim Allen 603-456-3366 if you need a delivery exception.

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 NOT being Mailed. Printed copies are available to pick-up at Town Hall and Pillsbury Free Library.

At Your Library

Come meet up with **Friends of the Library, April 8 at 6:30 pm** in the upper level of the library, find out what the group does, and how you can also help support Library services! Hear **Trustee Hanna Leigh-Brown** share results of the Library Programs survey, and find out the latest news about Library funding at state and federal levels!

All 44 spaces are booked for the [Annual Indoor Flea Market](#) library fundraiser at Warner Town Hall, **Saturday April 12, 9 am to 2 pm!** Mark your calendars to browse for gifts for Easter, Mother's Day, or yourself! Bake sale, raffle items, crafts, antiques and assorted treasures. **Baked goods welcome**, volunteers to help the Circle of Friends set up or sell at their table please contact Carol 603-496-5191.

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.

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!



Borrow our Telescope! (see also the free [Skywatch](#) event)

We have Library passes for free or reduced admission to:
New! [New England Aquarium](#), Jan. - May 2025 for 1/2 price entry with dated vouchers.

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

[McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center](#) [starhop.com](#)

[The Currier Museum of Art](#) in Manchester [currier.org](#) 1/2 price

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

[Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum](#) Free

[New Hampshire Telephone Museum](#) Free

[NH State Parks](#) Free

See our [Museums & Parks](#) webpage for pass details. To reserve one, call 603-456-2289

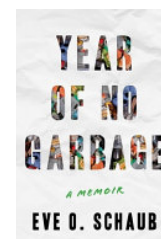
Library Trustee meetings include the **Monthly Board Meeting on the third Tuesday of each month (at 6:30 pm, in person)**. Various Committee meetings, some that meet monthly, vary in schedule but are posted online and at the USPO and Town Hall. Trustee meetings are published 24-48 hours in advance on the [Warner Events Calendar](#). Approved minutes are published on the [Trustee Meetings page](#).

Find the most recent audio and ebooks purchased for Overdrive: [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 are welcome! The library has copies to borrow up to 4 weeks before the meetings.

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



[BookEnds BookGroup](#) meets at 4pm on the first Friday every **other month**. The next meeting will be on **April 4: [Still Life by Louise Penny](#)**.

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

History, Museums and Groups

Warner Fish and Game club: Kid's Fishing Derby will be Sat. May 10, Registration at 7 Bartlett Loop, Warner, starting at 6:30 am, fishing 8 am - 2 pm for kids 15 and under. Prizes and Games. Donations cool!

Warner Fall Foliage Festival: board meeting 6:00 p.m. Sugar River Bank, Wed. April 2. New Website: "2025 Info is being updated weekly" at <https://wfff.org>, including [Minutes](#).

Vendor Applications for 2025 will open in April. Food truck applications are open.

MainStreet Warner Inc. is NOW ACCEPTING BOOK DONATIONS for a "COLOSSAL USED BOOK SALE" at *Spring Into Warner*, Saturday May 17 on the lawn of the

MainStreet Warner Lodge. ~ **All sales help fund the Jim Mitchell Scholarship.** Please leave book donations at MainStreet BookEnds in small to medium boxes.

NH Telephone Museum March Open dates: Tuesdays. The Museum will be **closed on Saturday, March 29** for PBS Filming on location.

Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum in 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: [Renew now](#) or join by **April 1st before rates change!** Join by April 30, 2025 and be entered into our **Shopping Spree drawing. First Prize: \$100 Shopping Spree** (in-store or online), **Second Prize: \$75 Shopping Spree** (in-store or online)

Other Event listings online : warner.lib.nh.us/warner-events-calendar, nh365.org, visitnh.gov, kearsargecalendar.com nhhumanities.org/programs/upcoming, centerforheartsnh.org [Arts calendar](#), facebook.com/NHMusicCollective/

Miss Sue's News (for Kids)



Preschooler Story times with Miss Sue: stories, songs, finger-plays, and a craft - in the Children's Room.

Thursdays at 10:30 am & Saturday April 19, 10:30am



Please save your **metal mint boxes** for Miss Sue for a summer activity. The boxes don't have to be Altoids,

but that's the size needed. **THANK YOU!**



Calling 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 11, 5:30-8PM.**

Anyone who has read at least 1 book on the list can come, but the more you have read the better! **Register with Miss Sue.** More details as we get closer to party time!

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 session:** Tues. April 8.

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 talk to Casey!

Warner Youth

Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday April 19 at 1:00 pm at **Double Clear Farm**, 244 Schoodac Rd. Register kids up thru 5th grade by 12:30 pm (home schoolers welcome). Farm animals to visit, eggs to find and games to play. Any middle school or High School students that need volunteer hours please reach out to Cathy (over 800 eggs to hide). There is no fee to attend. No Dogs, please!

Register now for a **WYSA** fundraiser **5K Color Run** on **Saturday, May 17** from 9 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. (campaign ID number is 27018) (Note, May 17 is also this year's Spring Into Warner Festival of Arts)

Kearsarge Regional District Preschool applications for 2025-26:
<https://www.kearsarge.org/krps-bradford-and-new-london/pages/apply>

Arts, Music, Games, etc

How well do you know **Warner**? **David Pook** alerted us to this [tile sliding game online with a map of Warner](#)! Slide the tiles to put the hills and roads back together in order. Note you can shrink the area so the printed place names are easier to read or expand it to see all of Warner, using + and - buttons, or choose other places: <https://bothness.github.io/anymap/>

The Local: Music Thursdays 5-8 pm **Team Trivia** Nights: Weds. at 6 pm.

Reed's North:Tavern Night music: Saturdays 6-9 pm. April 5: Mike Preston,
April 6: 4-7pm Open Mic with John Farese.

Trivia, Thursdays 6-8 pm

Open Mic nights at **Cafe One East:** 2nd Tuesdays, 6-8 pm hosted by Peg Chaffee.

AUTHOR [Brian Lies](#), Thursday April 10 at 3 pm at MainStreet BookEnds

AUTHOR **Andru Volinsky:** Sat. April 19 at 2 pm **Last Bake Sale: The fight for fair school funding.** MainStreet BookEnds gallery.

Tech tip

Did you have your DNA tested at **23 and me**? You may want to download and remove your data before it gets purchased during the bankruptcy process. Here's how:

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/how-to-delete-23andme-data/>

Area Business and Jobs

Business After Hours - Thursday, April 3, at Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum.

Join **Kearsarge Regional Chamber of Commerce** members and local businesses for an evening of networking and connection, Snack on hors d'oeuvres, and enjoy the live music of **Colin Nevins**. Bring business cards to hand out. **Enter a raffle with your business card!** RSVP by registering [HERE on Eventbrite](#). Colin's page: colinnevinsmusic.com

warnernh.gov/job-openings/ Highway Dept., Police, Transfer Station.

The **United Church of Warner** needs a **part-time assistant for technology needs** for Sunday worship, managing the YouTube Livestream. **Sunday mornings 9-11 AM is required.** Contact Pastor Amy Gardner at unitedchurchofwarner@gmail.com

Still Hiring **School Bus Drivers** for KRSD. \$26.00 per hour. <https://bit.ly/4f0FiLd>

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

Rethink, Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repair

Where to recycle:

BOOKS: bring to Mainstreet Bookends for MainStreet Warner's **COLOSSAL used book sale** scholarship fundraiser on May 17 during **Spring into Warner** at The Lodge.

Cameras and accessories: date TBD in April for drop-off at the Library, Bill Balsam will take to the Photography museum in Vermont for sale in their store as fundraisers.

Craft and Art supplies and tools: In May, bring to the library for a GIANT art and craft supply **swap** at Spring into Warner, May 17.

In Warner, recycling earns \$\$ and reduces tipping costs, especially Metal, Aluminum, Mixed paper, corrugated cardboard, Plastics #1 and #2 (clear/green and laundry/milk). Bring to the Transfer Station <https://learn.eartheasy.com/articles/plastics-by-the-numbers/>.

Helping Hands

Free 5-week **grief group** counseling course with Chaplin Mark Williams will be hosting. Every Tuesday from April 22 to May 27 from 1-3pm at 75 Chestnut St. in Franklin. Small-group sessions provided in a supportive environment to discuss loss and identify coping skills that can aid in the grieving process. To register call 603-934-3454 or email cmurray@franklinvna.org.

Family Closet Thrift Store Open Weds and Saturdays 10am-4pm 603-456-2183. No donations **until April 2** for now please. Volunteers needed, includes at-home jobs.

Warner Area Food Pantry.
www.warnerconnectsnh.org.

Wishlist: The Food Pantry is in need of Jam/jelly, Coffee/tea/hot cocoa, Granola bars/protein bars, Boost drinks, Lotion.

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

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.

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/

File IRS taxes online - <https://directfile.irs.gov/> **Tax forms** at the Library, or www.irs.gov/

Hopkinton AARP Tax-Aide free, by appointment only, at the Hopkinton Town Library, 61 Houston Drive in Contoocook on Wed and Thurs between 9:45 am and 1:30 pm through 4/10/2025. For an appointment call 211 or 866-444-4211 or www.nhtaxhelp.org

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
House Livestream and recordings: 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
Executive Councilor Karen Liott Hill www.karenliothill.com/

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.)

US Congress Rep, District 2: Maggie Goodlander: <https://goodlander.house.gov/>
House Live Stream and calendar <https://live.house.gov/>

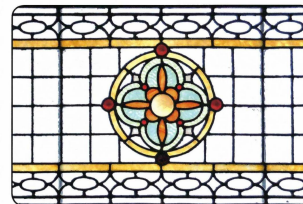
US Senators: www.senate.gov/states/NH/intro.htm **Maggie Hassan & Jeanne Shaheen**
Senate calendar and webcast: https://www.senate.gov/legislative/legislative_home.htm
Congressional transcripts and summaries at www.congress.gov/congressional-record

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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