



Weare in the World

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Fun Pasta Fundraising

Weare We Grow Childcare

Help us spruce up our playground this Spring with our Fun Pasta Fundraiser! Shop now and order some creative, delicious pasta goodies. It's simple, and you'll love the selection - great for any special occasion or just for yourself! With each sale, our group earns 40% which helps us reach our fundraising goal. Plus you get FREE shipping over \$50! To order, go to www.funpastafundraising.com/shop/weare-we-grow-childcare-1, or visit Weare We Grow's Facebook page for the link. Thanks for your help! Your order will be shipped from Nashville, TN within 3-5 days.

Get to Know Lacrosse

Sponsor: Weare Athletic Club

Girls: Sunday, Feb. 11, 4:30-6:00

Boys: Sunday, Feb. 18, 4:30-6:00

No experience needed, boys & girls grades 1-8 welcome. Sticks, mouthguards, goggles/helmet, sneakers, and a water bottle required. Don't have equipment? A limited amount of equipment will be available onsite for use. \$10 registration, register at weareathleticclub.com. FMI, email lacrosse@weareathleticclub.com.

Tri-Town Chamber of Commerce

Business After Hours

Wednesday, Feb. 7, 5:30-7:30pm

Edward Jones, 24 Main St., Goffstown

Would love it if you could join us at our event! The cost per event is \$15 for non-members and \$10 for members which basically cover the cost of food at the events.

Baby & Toddler Playgroup

Wednesdays, 10:15am-Noon

Weare Public Library

This is an informal gathering for caregivers and their young children. Get out of the house and meet some new friends! Books, puzzles, early literacy toys and music provided.



Weare Spelling Champs

The Weare Middle and Center Woods Schools' spelling bee top spellers are headed to the NH State Spelling Bee on February 24. The top spellers are seventh grader Sarah Guillemette (left) from Weare Middle School and third grader Brylie Gelinis (right) from Center Woods. Sponsored by the Union Leader, the State Bee will be at the Capitol Center for the Arts in Concord at 1pm on Saturday, February 24. The top speller from this meet will represent the Granite State at the Scripps National Spelling Bee in May in Washington, DC.

Weare Newspaper Makes News

Weare in the World, the town newspaper published by the Weare Public Library, has made quite a splash of late. An article appeared in Poynter, a trade publication for journalists, pointing out how unique it is for a library to step in and actually publish a newspaper and discussing what this might mean to the role of public libraries in today's world. The story was picked up and expanded upon by The Atlantic Magazine online, the Associated Press, City Lab, and even internationally by the Canadian Broadcasting Company and as far afield as a newspaper in Norway. To see these articles and more, visit the library's new "Weare in the News" webpage at: wearepl.wordpress.com/weare-in-the-news.

Library Expands Saturday Hours

Beginning March 3, the Weare Public Library will be open Saturdays from 9am-2pm. The Library is also open Mondays and Thursdays, 10am-8pm and Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10am-6pm.

Town Meetings:

Wednesday, February 7

6pm – Mildred Hall Advisory Committee @Library, Sawyer Room

7pm – Weare School District Deliberative Session

Thursday, February 8

7pm – Planning Board

Friday, February 9

7pm – John Stark School District Deliberative Session

Saturday, February 10

9am – Town Deliberative Session, Middle School

Monday, February 12

6pm – Board of Firewards
6:30pm – Selectmen

Tuesday, February 13

4pm – Trustees of the Trust Funds

7pm – PARC

Wednesday, February 14

7pm – Conservative Commission

Monday, February 19

Presidents Day – Town Offices & Library Closed

Beginner Guitar Group

(Note New Day!)

Wednesday, February 7, 5-6pm

Weare Public Library

Learn the basics of rhythm and melody, learn and share some simple songs. Bring an acoustic guitar and a tuner if you have one. No charge. Ages 8 and up, please.

Ruff Readers

Wednesday, February 7, 5-6pm

Weare Public Library

Reading motivation program for children of any age! Children pick a book to read to trained therapy dogs, who provide uncritical audiences. Reading is self-paced. 15 minute reading sessions available. Registration required; space is limited. Call Miss Karen at 529-2044 or stop by the Children's Desk to register.

Wearer School District

Deliberative Session

Wednesday, February 7, 7pm

Weare Middle School Cafeteria

Family Movie: The Stray (PG)

Thursday, February 8, 6pm

Weare Public Library

10 Paige Memorial Lane

wearepl.wordpress.com

wearepl@comcast.net 529-2044

Enjoy some popcorn and a new release movie on the library's big screen, thanks to the Friends of the Weare Public Library.

John Stark School District

Deliberative Session

Friday, February 9, 7pm

John Stark Regional High School Cafeteria

Town Deliberative Session

Saturday, February 10, 9am

Weare Middle School Cafetorium

Story Time

Monday, February 12, 11:15am

Weare Public Library

Stories and crafts for kids 5 and under and their caregivers.

Origami Kisses

Monday, February 12, 4pm

Weare Public Library

A more challenging origami project for Valentine's Day. For ages 6-100, but children under 8 should be accompanied by an adult.

Game Night

Monday, February 12, 6-8pm

Generals Sports Bar & Grill

840 S Stark Highway

529-3663 generalsbargrill.com

Hosted by Generals Sports Bar & Grill and Weare Lacrosse. 10% of sales will go to Weare Athletic Club. Questions about joining or coaching youth lacrosse? Email Ric or Kim at lacrosse@weareathleticclub.com.

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Caregivers Support Group

Tuesday, February 13, 1:30-3pm

Holy Cross Episcopal Church

118 Center Road, North Weare

2nd and 4th Tuesday each month.

Contact Marge Burke, 529-7792.

Baby & Toddler Playgroup

Wednesday, Feb. 14, 10:15am-Noon

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Lawline Hotline:

(800) 868-1212

Wednesday, February 14, 6-8 pm

Volunteer attorneys are available to answer your legal questions through Lawline, the Bar's free telephone legal advice service. Lawline is held on the SECOND Wednesday of each month from 6-8p.m. To reach Lawline, call the NH Bar Association (toll free) at 800-868-1212. Lawline is a public service, anyone can call.

Piece Makers Quilters Guild

Wednesday, Feb. 14, 6:30-9 pm

Holy Cross Episcopal Church

118 Center Road, North Weare

Piece Makers Quilt Guild located in Weare, NH works to bring together people who appreciate quilts, quilting, fabric, friendship and community service. On these pages, you will learn about our guild and its many activities, some educational, some philanthropic, and others just plain fun.

Our mission as a quilt guild is to advance the appreciation of quilting through education, application, service and fellowship.

Membership is open to anyone who has an interest in fabric arts, quilts and quilting. We meet on the second Wednesday of every month from 6:30 pm to approximately 9 pm at the Holy Cross Church. Contact: Celeste Manning, 547-5903.

John Stark School Board Proposes Tax Neutral, Energy Saving Lease Agreement Wood Chip Boiler to Replace Original Oil System

The John Stark School Board has been at work for more than two years to determine the best way to update the John Stark High School infrastructure while keeping a close eye on the tax impact for residents of Henniker and Weare. Article 5 on this year's Warrant is the result of the Board's research and study on how to best replace the heating system (originally installed in 1987) and increase energy efficiency throughout the building. The article would provide for installation of up to \$2,288,690 of energy saving equipment, including a wood chip boiler, insulation and LED lighting, through a lease agreement that would be tax neutral. The lease would be paid for by the savings in oil and electricity costs that the District now incurs.

"The State is requiring us to replace the current oil lines to the oil tank this year," said John Stark School Board Chair Zach Lawson. "When we looked at that cost, which is \$55,000, and the fact that the boiler itself and oil tank are 31 years old, we knew we needed to look at the entirety of the building infrastructure. It wouldn't make sense for us to tear up the oil lines and replace them only to discover a year later that another fuel source would be the better way to go," continued Chair Lawson.

After reviewing the options with a variety of companies, the Board decided that partnering with Energy Efficient Investments (EEI) and ENE Energy Advisors offered the best solution for John Stark. The partnership will allow John Stark to pay for the energy infrastructure improvements for up to 20 years from the energy savings that the school will see annually. EEI guarantees these savings will be realized.

"It's more than likely that the savings we will see in reduced energy costs from increased efficiencies will be greater than the \$119,719 annual lease payment," said Chair Lawson. "We may be able to pay off the lease early or make additional energy updates to the building."

The concept of a lease payment and performance contract for energy projects in schools is not a new one. In fact EEI and ENE have recently completed similar projects in the Manchester, Portsmouth, Shaker Regional and Plymouth School Districts with great success.

"We are hoping for additional savings on this upgrade to the John Stark building as we have applied for State rebates as well," commented Superintendent Dr. Lorraine Tacconi-Moore.

The Public Utilities Commission reviewed the school's grant in February and will make its recommendations to the Executive Council after reviewing all submitted projects. It would then go to the Governor. "We won't know until after the March 13 vote if we were successful in securing a State grant, so all figures presented for the project are based on receiving no grant money. Any grants received will mean even greater savings than we have projected," she concluded.

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Adjustments on Town Warrant Ahead of Saturday's Deliberative Session By Chris Hague (This is the fourth of a series of informational articles about the upcoming budget season and warrant articles.)

The Board of Selectmen amended the warrant for the February 10 Deliberative Town Meeting. Input at the January 15 budget hearing prompted these adjustments.

Article 3 raises for non-union employees will now be 2% across the board. In Article 4, the Government Building & Maintenance Fund request has been reduced to \$15,000. Article 5 is now a request for \$44,571 for one new police cruiser and equipment. Police Chief Sean Kelly clarified Article 6, saying that if passed, the town would be paying its own officer rather than paying for State Police coverage of the town. An article was added to allow the Fire Department to spend a \$10,000 bequest from the George and Joanne Buxton estate to purchase fitness equipment.

Article 13 requests \$60,000 to build two pavilions at Francis Arthur Bolton, Sr. Memorial Park. Article 16 has a one penny tax impact for a contribution to an existing Cemetery Construction Capital Reserve Fund to continue repairs of stone walls around the town cemeteries. Cemetery improvements in Article 17 would be paid for by trust funds, with no tax impact.

Likewise, Articles 19 and 20 would have no tax impact. Funds from the Town Forest Account would buy services of the town's licensed forester and contracted forest maintenance. Article 20 allows spending permission in case new town forest land becomes available for purchase.

Article 22 would allow Keno in Weare. Keno is a game that could be offered in either age controlled environments such as bars or through the lottery's established retailer base. "Regardless of where in the state Keno is approved...every school district will get the same share from revenues to help pay for full day kindergarten," according to NH Public Radio.

Article 24 would require Finance Committee meetings to be televised except in situations that qualify for nonpublic discussion under NH law.

Major amendments to financial articles are possible at the Deliberative Session. In the past, the handful of voters present have made changes. Anyone who wants input into the budgeting process is encouraged to attend, starting at 9am on Saturday, February 10 in the Middle School.

Across

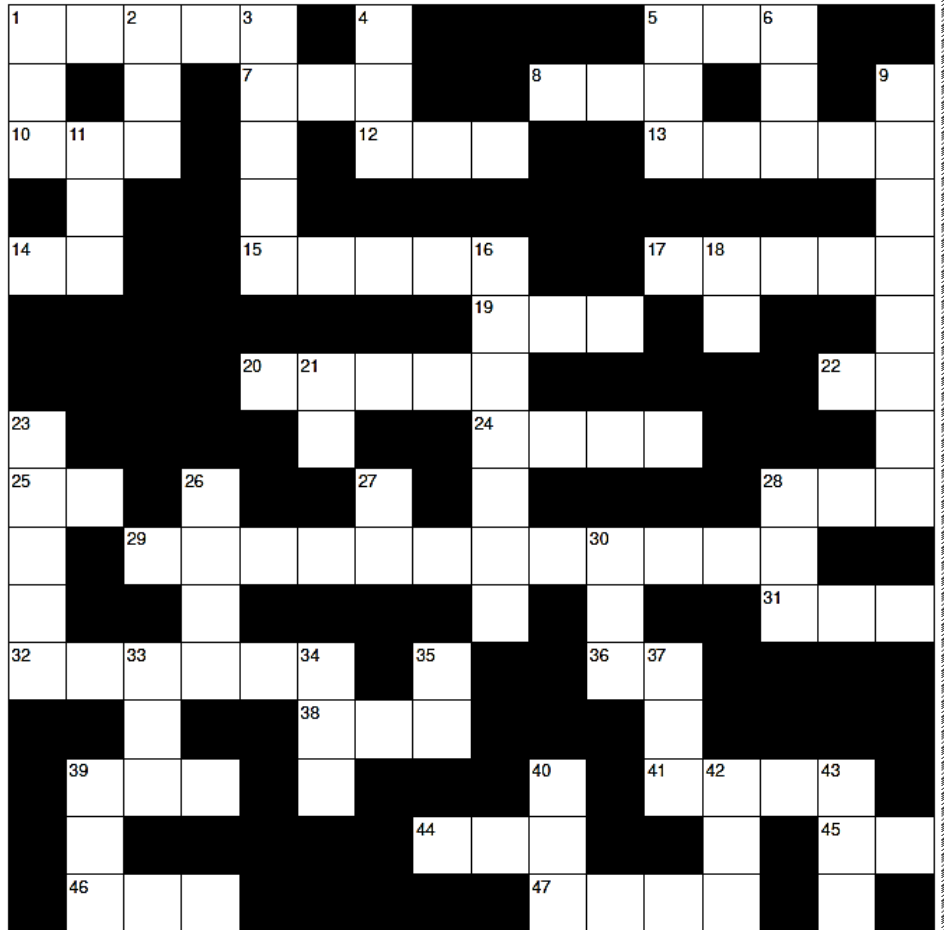
1. Noon meal.
5. Place in place.
7. Web extension for nonprofits.
8. Corn holder.
10. Yours, once upon a time.
12. The finish.
13. Generous fat guy.
14. Personal state of being.
15. Sickening.
17. No longer lost.
19. Sphere.
20. 80's rock super-band.
22. Short, derisive laugh.
24. County vast and wild.
25. The girl to be.
28. Noah's ride.
29. Who said, "You miss 100 percent of the shots you don't take"?
31. Before, poetically.
32. Said out loud.
36. Accomplish.
38. Be in the exterior.
39. Spider construction.
41. All is ____.
44. Princess annoyance.
45. No problem.
46. Not up to this point.
47. NH TV station.

Down

1. Set on fire.
2. Negative vote.
3. Lift heavily.
4. Mature as a verb, or maturity, as a noun.
5. TV and radio, for the people.
6. Sometimes perfection.
9. Ant eater.
11. Preserved pork.
16. NH city that sounds agreeable.
18. Prince ___ Wales.
21. Including those present.
23. Manchester historical businesses.
26. Pitcher's mistake.
27. Exist.
28. I agree.
30. Just a bit.
33. Be in debt.
34. Neither of these.
35. NH's next door neighbor.
37. Lubricant.
39. Dryly sardonic.
40. Crow-speak.
42. Dingy equipment.
43. 2,000 pounds.

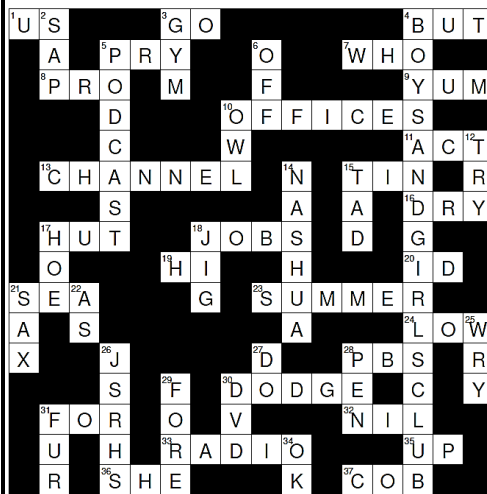
Take a Shot!

Michael Sullivan



School's Out!

Michael Sullivan



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 Weare Public Library, 10 Paige Memorial Lane Weare
 wearepl.wordpress.com wearepl@comcast.net 529-2044

Join us at
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Hosted by:
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Questions about joining or coaching youth lacrosse? Email Ric or Kim at:
lacrosse@weareathleticclub.com

Starting January 15th
Every Monday 6-8pm

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