

# Schools

## Audition Announcement: PTA 59th Annual Play Production

### "The Music Man" Directed by Dave Ostrowski and Kevin Linkroum

Come all interested actors and actresses, or first timers to The Music Man auditions Tuesday, January 4th from 6 - 8pm, and Wednesday, January 5th from 6 - 8pm, with possible call backs on Thursday, January 6th. Auditions will be in the Multi-purpose and Music rooms at Clark School, 14 Foundry Street, Amherst, NH. Come prepared to learn a few dance steps and with sheet music to

sing a song. Please bring a song in the style of a Broadway show, wear comfortable shoes and bring a water bottle. 4th graders and older please, unless parents are also auditioning, then as young as 1st grade will be considered. There is a desire for family groups because of the nature of this show. Character descriptions and vocal ranges can be found on the PTA website <http://www.amherstpta.org/play>. Casting will be posted by noon Saturday, January 8th. Mandatory informational meeting and first rehearsal/script read through for all cast members and parents on Sunday, January 9th 1pm at Clark School. Any questions please call Jackie O'Dowd at 582-5211.

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## Souhegan Alpine Ski Team

### Light the Wick Ski and Snowboard Film

AMHERST - Friday, December 10th is the night that officially kicks off the winter season in Southern New Hampshire! Don't miss the premiere of TGR's HD and 3D ski and board film, Light the Wick, presented by the Souhegan High School Alpine Ski Team and shown in the High School Auditorium.

There will be great prizes and give-aways such as \$500 skis from Zimmermann's Sports, Ragged Mountain Ski Passes, Ski/Board

Tunes from Sports Loft and more! You can also enter to win Light the Wick's Grand Prize Giveaways including an AK Heli Trip for 2 provided by Alaska Heli-Skiing or TGR Sponsor Gear Package (Skis, Jackets and other gear).

The film is locally sponsored by: Crotched Mountain Ski & Ride, Ken Jones Ski Mart, Zimmermann's Sports, Ragged Mountain Ski Area and Sport Loft.

The shows are at 7:00 pm and 9:00 pm with doors opening 30 minutes prior. To see the movie trailer or purchase tickets online visit [www.TetonGravity.com](http://www.TetonGravity.com)

Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door; available online, at Sport Jones Ski Mart in Manchester, Sport Loft Ski Shop in Amherst and at the door on December 10th.

We hope to see you all there! This movie is a great way to get pumped for the snow!

## Atom Splitters FIRST Lego League Going to States



Dylan Carlson, Spencer Wright, Scott Masters, Silas Howe, Lewis Vinton, Michael Poisson and Harrison Mazur.

Congratulations to the Atom Splitters for taking 1st place in their Research Presentation during the FIRST Lego League qualifier held at Hollis Brookline High School on November 20, 2010.

The first year team, made up of students from Amherst and Mont Vernon, spent September and Oc-

tober researching a solution to a medical emergency. Coached by Julia and Nelson Howe, the team created a new way to administer therapeutic hypothermia for first responders and rescuers which they titled "Brain Freeze". The team presented their research to Amherst's Emergency Medical first respond-

ers and received feedback that they incorporated into their final presentation.

The team will advance to the NH FIRST Lego League Championship Tournament held early December at Manchester Central High School.

## Students in the News

### BABSON COLLEGE Spring 2010 Dean's List

Wellesley, Mass. - Babson College announces that the following local residents qualified for the spring semester Dean's List, which recognizes outstanding student scholarship:

\* Jingyao Zhang of Amherst  
\* Paul Caso of Amherst

## Old Coats Given New Life

An eleventh grade Advisory at Souhegan High School, in partnership with the UNH Warmth for the Mill Yard organization, will be hosting a coat drive to benefit the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter. From December 6th to the 15th, gently used and new coats will be collected at Souhegan High School (in Lynda Conley's office and room 204) and the Amherst Public Town Library. Your donations are greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact Souhegan teacher, Gavin Sturges at [gsturges@sprise.com](mailto:gsturges@sprise.com).

## Sharing Circles at the Preschool in the Village



In preparation for the Thanksgiving Holiday, the families of the Preschool in the Village (PIV) joined in Sharing Circles on November 22 and 23 to benefit SHARE. Children and their families sang songs, gave thanks and enjoyed homemade bread, baked by the preschoolers. At the end of the Sharing Circles event, each child placed a piece of fruit, brought from home, in the center of the circle. With their individual contributions, the children created a cornucopia of fresh fruit to donate to SHARE for local families in need. This annual event helps the children learn the valuable lesson that when each gives a little—together it can count for a lot!

To enroll your child in preschool or kindergarten enrichment classes, please call Susan Drumm at 672-3168. PIV has been teaching the preschoolers of Amherst and the surrounding communities since 1995. For more information, please visit us in person at 11 Church Street, Amherst, on Facebook or through our website, [www.preschoolinthevillage.org](http://www.preschoolinthevillage.org).

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## Amherst Pta Online Auction

### Goin' Once! Goin Twice! Sold!!!

AMHERST -- The bidding war has begun! Don't miss out on all the excitement! Go to [www.amherstpta.org](http://www.amherstpta.org) and click on ONLINE AUCTION. Check out the auction!!!! Salon Gift Certificates! \$100 Mile Away Gift Certificate! 2 Hour Tour of Manchester on a SEGWAY! Mr. St. Amand's TIE! Mrs. Gilpin's pet SNAKE (for keeps)! BEATLES Tribute Tickets!- bidders are going crazy! Look at what's there - homework passes! Teachers painting your portrait! Teachers painting a land-

scape of your choosing! Lessons! Math Games! PJ Parties with your teacher! Movies with your teacher! Panera Lunch with your teacher! Gift baskets from your kids' teachers! Golf greens fees! Restaurants galore!

All grades are participating. Come see what your teacher is doing for you! Log on to [www.amherstpta.org](http://www.amherstpta.org) and enter the auction to see what is going on! Don't miss out! Click on "ONLINE AUCTION" to BID & WIN!!!!!!

## Holiday Story Time

Take time to celebrate the holidays, while sipping hot chocolate, and enjoy listening to teachers and community members read holiday stories! All families are invited to attend the Holiday Story Time on Friday, December 10th from 6:30 to 7:30 PM in the Wilkins Multipurpose Room. Pajamas and blankets are encouraged! We hope to see you there!!

## Peter Mayer Will Perform December 11th to Benefit Anne-Marie House.

AMHERST - Acclaimed musicians led by Jimmy Buffett's lead guitarist, Peter Mayer, to headline "Stars & Promises" Holiday Concert at Souhegan High School Auditorium

Anne-Marie House is excited to present its "Stars and Promises" holiday concert featuring Peter Mayer. In another role, Peter Mayer is lead guitarist in Jimmy Buffett's Coral Reefers Band. In "Stars and Promises", Peter Mayer and his accomplished musicians keep the traditional holiday values of faith, family, love, and hope centered in their delightful performances.

The concert is December 11th at the Souhegan High School auditorium in Amherst. It begins at 7:30 PM and will be preceded by a silent auction and free hors d'oeuvres at 5:30. General seating tickets are just \$25 in advance (\$30 at the door) and reserved seating tickets are available at \$35.

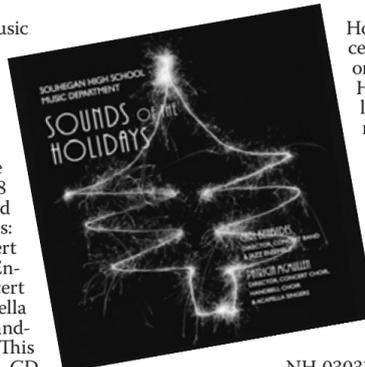
To hear music clips from previous Peter Mayer concerts and to buy tickets online, visit [www.annemariehouse.com/starsconcert](http://www.annemariehouse.com/starsconcert) or call Laurie Skibba at 883-7338. Your support helps Anne-Marie House end homelessness one family at a time. Thank-you!

## Souhegan Music Department Releases New Holiday Music CD

The SHS Music Department is proud to announce the release of its latest CD Sounds of the Holidays . The CD features 18 tracks recorded by 5 ensembles: The SHS Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble, Concert Choir, Acapella Singers and Handbell Choir. This marks the 5th CD released by the SHS music department since 2002.

The CD is available for \$10 each and is available for pick up at The

Homestead Grocery and Deli or at Souhegan HS. If you'd like your CDs mailed, please send check for \$13 payable to SHS ACTIVITIES to: Souhegan HS Music Dept; attn: Carl Benevides; PO Box 1152; Amherst, NH 03031 For more information, please contact Carl Benevides at [cbenevides@sprise.com](mailto:cbenevides@sprise.com).



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# 10th comedy night

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