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CATS

Amherst PTA Presents “CATS”

The Amherst PTA's 63rd Annual Production brings Andrew Lloyd Webber musical CATS April 16th – 19th to the Souhegan High School Theatre. The annual play is the biggest fundraiser for the PTA, benefitting curriculum enrichment for the lower elementary schools in Amherst. **Page 11**

SHS Seeks New Board Member

The Souhegan Cooperative School Board would like to announce that there will be a vacancy on their Board due to health issues. If you are an Amherst resident and interested in serving on the Souhegan Cooperative School Board please send a letter of interest by April 30, 2015 to Mary Lou Mullens at Mmullens@sprise.com, or mail to Mary Lou Mullens, C/O Souhegan School Board, 412 Boston Post Road, P.O. Box 1152, Amherst, NH 03031. Please state the reason for your interest, and any related background experience. **Page 11**

Boston Saxophone Quartet Performs Duke Ellington: Beyond Category Concert

The Boston Saxophone Quartet concert performing "Duke Ellington: Beyond Category Concert" is happening on Sunday, April 26 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the Main Reading Room of the Amherst Town Library. This performance was postponed due to snow twice this winter. This is the final program of the Sundays at 4 music series! The Boston Saxophone Quartet is a unique blend of musicians who have performed with the Boston Pops and Boston Symphony Orchestra and leading Broadway theaters throughout New England. **Page 8**

School District Cost Per Pupil Forum – April 23

Community Forum for an explanation and discussion of cost per pupil for the Amherst, Mont Vernon and Souhegan Cooperative School Districts presented by SAU #39, Thursday, April 23, 6:00 P.M. Souhegan High School Info Center. **Page 11**

AMHERST RABIES CLINIC

Saturday, April 25, 2015, 9am – 11am at Amherst South Fire Station, Stearns Rd. Dogs on Leashes, Cats in Carriers. \$15.00 Vaccination for 1st Pet; \$10.00 Additional Pet

Licenses Available to Amherst Residents. Dr. Amy Hollengreen from Amherst Animal Hospital in attendance

Film Documentary, The Peace Treaty of Portsmouth – A Spiritual Perspective

Tree of Life Interfaith Temple is showing Amherst's Don Alusic's documentary on Thursday, April 30, 7:00-8:30 pm at 5 Northern Boulevard, Unit 8, Amherst. The documentary is on the 1905 Portsmouth Peace Conference and Treaty that ended the Russo- Japanese War and won President Teddy Roosevelt the Nobel Peace Prize. The conference and treaty have been called a key turning point in modern history. Don's inspiring film highlights the remarkable community and spiritual setting that accompanied the conference. Due to limited space, please register for this free event by April 25 at toltemplenews@tollit.org

Clark-Wilkins

Student Paper Drive for SHARE



Wilkins students: Allie Breault- grade 1, Miranda Torres – grade 4, Andrew Coleman – grade 4 and Harry Dermody – grade 2.

Another very successful Paper Products for SHARE drive at the Clark-Wilkins libraries was completed in March. Students and their families generously donated toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, facial tissues and diapers. The collection was a combined 1,100 products including 94 packages of diapers. This easily surpassed their goals!



Clark students: Dominic Mitri-Legault – preschool, Jackson Eddinger – grade 1, Joe Mayo – grade 1.

Amherst Junior Womens Club



Easter Egg Hunters, Molly Benson, Rowen Enriquez and Christopher Montesanto had fun finding eggs in the snow.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt

AMHERST – The AJWC Easter Egg Hunt took place Saturday, March 28 at 10 a.m. on the town common. The AJWC Annual Easter Egg Hunt is fun for all ages, with families gathering on the Amherst town green. This free event began with a parade featuring the Easter Bunny. Children then joined in the hunt for eggs in specified areas on the town common, according to age group. AJWC fills 1000 eggs for the event and 200 lucky hunters found a free kids meal certificate for Texas Road House. There were also crafts for the kids and a variety of baked goods for all to enjoy. Parents were encouraged to bring their cameras to take pictures of their children with the Easter Bunny.

Amherst Police Launch Code Yellow Mental Health Response Initiative

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CODE YELLOW

Souhegan Jazz Ensemble Takes Top Honors at Clark Terry/UNH Jazz Festival



PHOTO: JEFF HALL

Souhegan Jazz Ensemble: Front Row – Kole Nunley, Jeff Mason, Katie Taylor, Lauren Kaltsas, Meaghan Kalinowski, Hannah Gillis, Emily Eccleston & Steve Mason; Back Row – Ben Carnick, Nathan Shipley, Ben Wesenberg, Jack Arnold, Matt Campbell, Lindsay Evans, Ben Gottwald, Tim Murphy, Andrew Goyette, Jonathon Amrein and SHS Teacher and Jazz Ensemble Director Carl Benevides

AMHERST – The Souhegan HS Jazz Ensemble under the direction of Carl Benevides was awarded top honors as “Outstanding Class “B” Jazz Band” at the UNH Jazz Festival on March 14, 2015. There were 16 bands in the Class “B” category from New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island. Also receiving...

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Wilkins Destination Imagination Team Earns Trip to Globals

AMHERST – Wilkin's Destination Imagination (D.I.) team earned high honors at the New Hampshire State Tournament on March 28 and secured a spot in Global Finals—the largest creative thinking and problem solving competition in the world. The T.I.G.H.A.M. Girls, which formed this year, finished in second place in their age level for their solution to this year's scientific challenge, “Making Waves”. They now move onto the global competition in Knoxville, Tennessee on May 20-23 to compete along with more than 1,300 teams from 48 states and 30 countries. “When they announced another team in third place, the girls realized they were top two and started yelling, ‘We’re going to globals!’” remembered team manager Terri Behm. “This year has been a crash course in all things D.I. We never dreamed we would make it this far our first time.” Team member Isabella D'Ambrosio feels like the tournament falling on her ninth birthday added a little extra luck, but co-manager Ken D'Ambrosio said their strong teamwork and mix of strengths are what have

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Left to right: (back) Team Manager Ken D'Ambrosio, (front) Marjorie Vincent, Ava Bawell, Gabriella Purvis, Teresa Krawiecki, Hannah Lorsbach, and Isabella D'Ambrosio.

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