



HOLIDAYS

July Fourth 2020... Virtually

AMHERST – This year's celebration has been cancelled due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. Whether you choose to stay home this year, take a drive through the Village or beyond, take a moment to reflect on the meaning – celebrate July Fourth your way, this the 244th Birthday of Our Independence. **WAIT UNTIL NEXT YEAR!** ...



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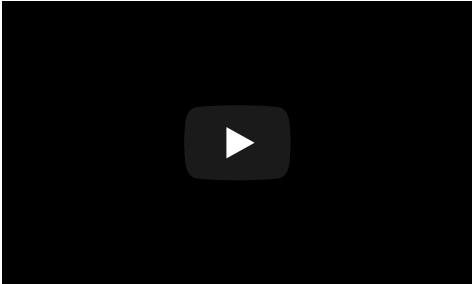
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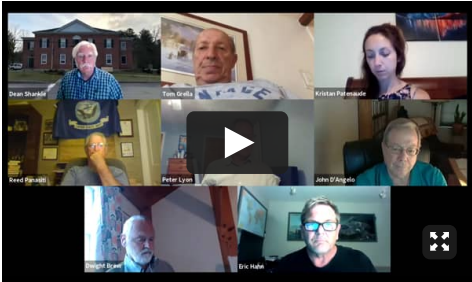
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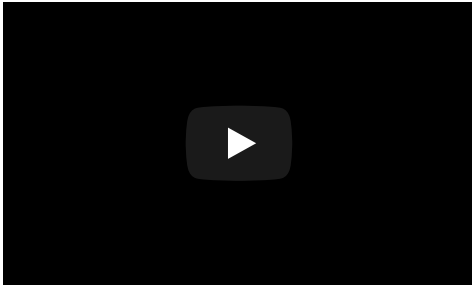
RECENT UPDATES



*The Amherst Citizen* created this video of a young Amherst student reciting the Declaration of Independence



*The Amherst Citizen* is sharing the Amherst Board of Selectman meeting held June 29, 2020.



Superintendent of Schools, SAU#39 Adam Steel joins Task Force members to discuss school reopening.



Hats Off!

Along the street there comes  
A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums,  
A flash of color beneath the sky:  
Hats Off!  
The flag is passing by.

ALERT!!!

Baboosic Town Beach Remains Closed as of July 1st. Swimming is not Recommended ...

Letters

## Amherst School District Year End 2020 Budget

To the editor:

As the school and fiscal year close, the Amherst School Board is reflecting on what a year it has been. When we began our year in September no one could have imagined we would end the year with remote learning and an uncertain future for the 2020-2021 school year. But despite the challenges, our administration stepped up to end the year as we always do by honoring student milestones. Our students, faculty, and administration celebrated with drive-through ceremonies for both 4th graders and 8th graders, as well as a virtual graduation ceremony at the Amherst Middle School that reflected their typical promotion ceremony.

**2020-2021 School Year** - We know all families are waiting to hear the school plans for fall. As many of you know, Governor Sununu created a taskforce to examine the needs for a fall reopening. That taskforce has created a document for the governor to consider in order to provide guidance to schools. While there will be guidance and recommendations from the state house, we expect that a lot of decisions will be left up to individual districts. As such, Superintendent Steel created his own taskforce several weeks ago with several subgroups to help guide him in making his final decisions. These taskforce meetings have been recorded and are available on the SAU website and the SAU Facebook page for viewing. Options are still being discussed. With future guidance from the Governor and continued work of the taskforce, an expected decision will be shared by August 1st.

**FY20 Budget** - As we wrap up fiscal year 2020 we found that with spending cuts, COVID-19 savings, and significantly higher-than-anticipated revenue from tuition, Medicaid, and special education, the district finished the year with \$1.4 million in the unreserved fund balance. The Board voted to return \$1m to taxpayers to offset next year's tax rate and use the remaining \$400,000 to replace or repair items in our schools that were not included in the capital needs assessment or had reached end of life earlier than anticipated.

**Future Meetings** - Our August and September meetings will be combined with all districts within the SAU. We will be reviewing the budget process for the coming year, receiving a presentation regarding student assessment, and examining a number of policies that were addressed during this summer's policy review period. We encourage you to attend these meetings as they will serve to educate all stakeholders in SAU39 during these two months. The ASB meetings will resume in October.

Regards,  
Elizabeth Kuzsma, Chair  
Tom Gauthier, Vice Chair  
Ellen Grudzien, Secretary  
Terri Behm  
Josh Conklin

Editorial Comment

The Amherst School Board has finished the end of the fiscal (FY20) year with an unanticipated fund balance.

The Amherst School Board reports a \$1.4 million dollars of unreserved fund balance. Much of this comes from the closing of the school buildings and other adjustments as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic and increases in revenues.

Districts always have wants and needs. Yet, this year demonstrating restraint and good fiscal management, the school board has decided to return \$1 million to the taxpayer which will lower the tax rate for all.

This has been a difficult time for the community. Many families have lost jobs or seen reduced paychecks, businesses have scaled back operations, some have closed their doors and many have a wait and see approach to the future. Community events that depend about funds from the business community have had to cancel. Our students have made the best of the school year adjusting to remote learning while emotionally missing their friendships. We applaud the administrators, teachers and staff. In addition, parents have taken on a heavy task of promoting and enabling remote learning. One could say, that parents appreciate even more the daily task our teachers perform of educating our children nine months a year. And done with a smile.

The Amherst School Board deserves a salute for the fiduciary responsibility they have demonstrated.

The school board explains their decision in a letter to the editor. Information on school reopening this fall will be coming soon.

## Lions Club COY Has Been Cancelled for This Year

To the editor:

After much deliberation, the Lions Club leadership decided the award of Amherst's Citizen of the Year will not be presented this year. Several reasons went into this decision, but the principal reason is the award is intertwined with the July 4th celebrations, an event recognizing the role of citizenship and volunteerism in shaping society. The club will retain all 2020 nominations and will combine them with the 2021 nominations for consideration in 2021 when the town volunteers are likely to renew their July 4th celebration planning.

The club leadership is as disappointed as Amherst citizens must be and recognize no small effort was made by those who contributed 2020 nomination packages. For that and all those who have stepped up to answer the challenges in this difficult time, we are grateful.

Sincerely,  
Danielle Pray  
President, Amherst Lions Club

## We'll Miss All The Smiles and Camaraderie on July 4th

To the editor:

The Amherst July 4th celebration will be greatly missed this year! Amherst Democrats have sold root beer at our booth for many years, and have loved the experience. So many people are attracted to the green, and all are in a celebratory mood, enjoying the day and each other. We've handed out small flags and bottlecaps to kids, and buttons, stickers, drink cups and flyers to adults. We'll miss all the smiles and camaraderie, and look forward to July 4, 2021. In the meantime, if anyone would like to be more involved with Democratic politics this year, join us on Facebook at Amherst NH Democrats, or check our website at amherstnhdemocrats.org, and join our email list. We'd love to hear from you.

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Penny Eggleston  
Pat Eggleston  
Peg Harris  
Martin Goulet  
Len Gerzon  
Tony Labranche  
Beth Powers

## A Thank-You to Amherst Police and Fire Departments

To the editor:

Thank you to the Amherst Police and Fire Departments for making our Dad's 95th birthday one to remember. On Thursday, July 2, the Amherst Fire Department sent two fire trucks and the Police Department sent a cruiser and an officer on a motorcycle to lead a procession of 20-30 automobiles all decorated with signs, flags, and streamers wishing Amherst resident Leonard Merrill the most amazing birthday of his life! Sirens blaring, horns tooting, friends and fellow church members whooping and hollering ... the spirit of the event was a testament that love is far more powerful than Covid-19.

Leonard is the recipient of two Purple Hearts, an Oak Leaf Cluster, a Bronze Star, and a WWII Victory Medal for his service during World War II. He spent most of his time in hospitals enduring multiple surgeries following a near-fatal attack in Italy. That fact makes it all the more special to be able to celebrate 95 years of a wonderful life.

The Amherst Fire and Police Departments were eager to help lead the celebration, and we are most appreciative of their commitment to making our lives better in SO many ways.

Most sincerely,  
Ed and Louise Merrill, Diane Merrill Pomeroy, and  
Janice (Merrill) and Ernie Miller



## Town News



Temporary walkup/ramp to window at Town Clerk's Office. Please call 603-673-6041 x203 or 208 before arrival or conduct business online.

The Amherst Town Clerk's service window is installed and ready for business. We still encourage citizens to renew online, by mail, or over the phone with a credit card but if you need to transact business in person please call ahead of time.

Rich Ray and Rick Keyes from the DPW have done a wonderful job constructing this temporary window so that we can assist our residents during these difficult times. The ramp is still under construction and should be completed in a few days.

Our hours are 9AM-3PM Monday - Friday or earlier by appointment. Tuesday evening hours are suspended until further notice.

Please call us if you have any questions or email us.

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We thank you for your support and understanding. Be safe

## Amherst Transfer Station Notice

The DPW is preparing for staffing shortages at the transfer station. We have our highest priority set as accepting trash. We may find it necessary with no notice to close the scale house to support taking trash. We have alternate personnel to use, but we may not get them there on short notice.

Running the scale house requires a weighmaster license. We will use the town webpage and the DPW Facebook page to give as much notice as possible; however if our weighmaster(s) call out sick, or if the deck attendant(s) call out at the last minute we may have to use the weighmaster on the deck and we may only be reporting the closure as it occurs.

Please check the Transfer Station webpage (<https://www.amherstnh.gov/public-works/transfer-station>) or our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/AmherstNH.DPW/>) daily for closures and other updates. Thank you for your continued patience and understanding throughout this state of emergency as we continue to evaluate what needs to be done to keep our staff and residents safe. Please feel free to contact our office at 673-2317 with any questions. Normal office business hours are Monday thru Friday, 7am to 3pm.

To support social distancing at the transfer station, DPW has marked out 4 dedicated parking spots for the trash compactors. They are designated with barricades/cones/barrels and we have divided the trash bins into a left and right side. There are two parking spots per side.

Except for: Recycling, Still Good Shed and Book Swap the remainder of the transfer station functions remain in operation.

If things change, we will continue to provide updates via our Facebook page and the DPW and Transfer Station webpages.



Amherst Town Library

**AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY**

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Virtual July Programs at the Amherst Town Library



Adventures in Vegetable Gardening

**Tuesday, July 7th or Tuesday, July 14  
from 3pm-4:30pm**

Many people are planting vegetable gardens this year. By now most of the seeds and seedlings are tucked in and ready to grow. Now what? Do I fire up the grill and wait for the fruit to show up or do I have to keep an eye out for problems? What if something is eating my greens? What are those black spots on my tomatoes? How do I convince the groundhog to eat in my neighbor's yard? These and other timely questions will be answered for you in this virtual gardening session. Topics will include pest and water management, fertilizer, harvesting and more.

**Virtual Program - Registration Required**



Backyard Birds

**Wednesday, July 8th from 7pm-8:30pm**

Test your knowledge of the common and likely resident and migrant visitors to the backyards of New England. In this engaging and interactive presentation, learn identification tips for some challenging birds that live among us like ... Hairy vs. Downy Woodpecker and Purple vs. House Finch. Tips on feeding birds to attract the most diversity will also be provided.

**Virtual Program - Registration Required**



Dandelion Wine: The Painting and Poetry of Summer

**Thursday, July 16th from 11am-12:30pm**

For those of us who live in a four-season climate, every turn in the cycle brings us a new framework for our senses. Light plays on our world with a new bright intensity or a muted subtlety, color explodes or fades, the patterns and rhythms of our days change, and things just sound and smell different as seasons settle in. After the excitement of spring, summer offers us warmth and a lazier pace to our days. Painters and poets have long given us their expressions of how summer feels and sounds to them, and this program will showcase some of their words and pictures to help us celebrate the season.

**Virtual Program - Registration Required**



Summer Reading at The Library

**YES**---the annual Summer Reading Program WILL be happening at the library! We are planning our summer activities under the assumption that some number of social distancing restrictions will still be in effect. We know you will understand our need to avoid certain types of activities while we try to offer as many of our well-loved programs as possible, sometimes in slightly different ways.

We are in the process of working out the details, but here's what we know right now---

- Our target date for beginning the program is Monday, June 15. Please visit our website ([www.amherstlibrary.org](http://www.amherstlibrary.org)) for updates and details as they become available.
- We will offer a reading program for our children that is as close as possible to the wonderful program they have come to expect. The "Summer Slide" doesn't go away just because our social lives have changed, and we want to keep everyone reading this summer. There will be reading logs for tracking reading hours, prizes to be earned, weekly craft kits, find-the-picture scavenger hunts, virtual storytimes, and, yes, there will be a virtual PET SHOW!
- Our teens will have the opportunity to win gift cards to local business by submitting "Book Bucks". We will offer some virtual craft programs, some challenges, and some opportunities for virtual get-togethers.

We are planning to send out information through the schools, email newsletter and social media, and we'll be updating our website as our plans are finalized. Although some things may not be possible this summer, and some things may be different, we think that Summer Reading is a great way to say, "We're here, and we're in this together---your library is here for you!"

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## Historic Amherst

# Celebrating Fourth of July – 200 Years Ago

**BY KATRINA HOLMAN**

Alas, in the year 2020 there will be no public Fourth of July celebration in Amherst, due to the nasty corona virus crisscrossing the country and the globe. It will be a sad day for me, having enjoyed our Town's annual superlative multi-faceted program for kids of all ages for the past quarter of a century. In my neighborhood at least, there's bound to still be firecracker noise – not my favorite but actually the most “historically accurate” (if I may be facetious) of Amherst's modern celebratory activities.

Anniversaries can help us understand and remember history: This year's Fourth of July is the 200th of a special, unique event in Amherst that affected those who enabled the Independence we now enjoy. The day was surely chosen by the County or State for its symbolism.

### Revolutionary War Veterans Gather in 1820

On the Fourth of July, 1820, in Amherst, the shiretown for Hillsborough County, N.H., “although there was no public celebration, the day was honored by the assembling of the Revolutionary Soldiers, to attend the Court of Common Pleas, which convened here on that day to receive their applications for Pensions.” About 140 veterans made applications, “subjected to a disgraceful oath of poverty” (in opinion of newspaper editor Boylston) that was required by Congress. “The grotesque appearance of these veterans and heroes of the Revolution ... bowed down with age and infirmities, pinched with poverty ... awakened the sensibility of all who beheld them.” Many of them had been companions in the army but had not seen each other for years so during the days of the sitting of the Court, they were seen in groups, “fighting their battles o'er again.” Between the sittings of the Court, at noon on the Fourth of July, nearly 100 veterans marched around the Common, to the music of a drum and fife played by some of their own number. “Feeling impressed with a sense of obligation to



Third County Courthouse in Amherst, N.H. (built 1823) with single-story wings (added 1828), depicted c. 1870. In 1824, a 4th of July dinner was held here for the citizens, with the Governor in attendance. It became Amherst Town Hall in 1871 although also still functioned as a county courthouse until 1879.

During this period (not quite four decades after the end of the Revolutionary War), the Fourth of July was definitely remembered as the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, but Amherst and other New Hampshire towns in general did not yet have traditions of public celebration and no particular annual customs. To get a sense of typical commemorative customs, let's take a look at the year preceding and the year following.

In 1819, in Milford, “a number of respectable citizens” gathered on Monday July 5th in front of the meetinghouse in company with part of the Milford Light Infantry and Cavalry, to hear a short but patriotic address, followed by dozens of patriotic and benevolent toasts, each “accompanied with the firing of a small field piece.” “In the evening the people were entertained by a display of sky-rockets,

gave a florid welcome speech (which he reproduced in his newspaper) and His Excellency made reply. After a meet-'n-greet in the hotel between the Governor and the officers of the day and invited guests, another procession proceeded at 11:00 to the meeting-house (now the Congregational Church) where the ladies had already taken their seats in reserved pews. The processions were led by Timothy Danforth, at that time proprietor of a new livery stable and blacksmith business, who acted as chief marshal for the day.

The exercises in the meeting-house comprised: reading of the Declaration of Independence by Edmund Parker, lawyer and Amherst's rep. to the N.H. Legislature; prayer; oration by Charles G. Atherton (who just turned 20 on that very day but in future would become a prominent N.H. legislator); and choir music.

The day concluded in the new brick

their Representative in Congress, for his endeavors in procuring for them the pittance allowed by that body to cheer and comfort their remaining days," they marched to the dwelling of Hon. Clifton Clagett (at 135 Amherst Street), accompanied by "Gen. Pierce" (being Benjamin Pierce (1757-1839), himself a Bunker Hill veteran, county sheriff and future governor of N.H., who had married an Amherst girl and was father of 15-year-old Franklin) and "Judge Darling." A designated veteran, a Captain from New Ipswich, addressed Clagett on the veterans' behalf and Clagett graciously responded; then Pierce and Darling made toasts. On that same 4th of July, a similar event occurred in Keene, the shiretown for Cheshire county, where 116 soldiers of the Revolution attended court "to prove their poverty," and then about 70 of them paraded afterwards. (*Farmers' Cabinet*, Amherst, N.H., 8 & 15 July 1820.)

**Some background:** Although the Continental Congress had been quick to provide pensions to soldiers disabled in the war and to soldiers' widows, the first legislation that granted pensions to Revolutionary War veterans for service from which no disabilities resulted, was an act of the U.S. Congress of March 1818: Officers and enlisted men in need of assistance, who had served in a Continental military organization or in the U. S. naval service for 9 months or until the end of the war, were eligible for pensions for the rest of their lives. Financial difficulties and charges that applicants were feigning poverty to obtain benefits caused Congress to enact remedial legislation in May 1820. The new law required every pensioner receiving payments under the 1818 act, and every would-be pensioner, to submit a certified schedule of his estate and income to the Secretary of War, who was authorized to remove from the pension roll those persons who, in his opinion, were not in need of assistance. Within a few years the total of Revolutionary War service pensioners was reduced by several thousand. An act of Congress in March 1823 resulted in the restoration of pensions to many whose names had been removed under the terms of the 1820 legislation, but who subsequently proved their need for aid. Congress passed another service-pension act in May 1823, which granted full pay for life to surviving officers and enlisted men of the Revolutionary War who were eligible for benefits under the terms of the Continental Congress resolution of May 15, 1778, as amended. (Taken nearly verbatim from "Pensions Enacted by Congress for Revolutionary War Veterans" on rootsweb.com, where it is attributed to the American Revolution message board for genealogy.com posted as message #3250 by Ed, a historian on the American Revolution.)

which ascended with a beautiful appearance." The newspaper correspondent concluded: "During the whole scene, perfect harmony prevailed among the citizens, and not the least wrangle or dispute was heard from anyone." (Does this emphasis on a peaceful gathering strike you as odd? My bet is that it was meant as a contrast to the most popular annual event of the time, militia musters, at which inebriation of participants and spectators was common.)

In 1821, in Amherst, again no arrangements were made for a public celebration, but about 50 people, "without distinction of party," made an excursion to Baboosic where they "partook of an excellent chowder and fry from the products of the pond" and celebrated with patriotic toasts and songs. After the return of the company to the Village, a salute was fired, and "the whole scene was harmonious, pleasant and without rebuke." In Mont Vernon, by contrast, there was an organized program with a procession to the accompaniment of instrumental music to the meeting-house, where an oration was given, followed by toasts accompanied by discharge of artillery and cheers. Among the Mont Vernon crowd were some "heroes" of Bunker Hill and York Island.

### Big Celebration in 1824

In 1824, another unique commemoration of the birthday of the nation took place in Amherst, this one a big-deal organized public event. This was as yet not quite half a century since the Declaration of Independence – but only a few months after the county's voters had renewed Amherst's function as the county seat, a huge relief to the citizens of Amherst and an additional cause for celebration in town. Bigwig politicians were present – the Governor of New Hampshire and the sitting first territorial governor of Arkansas, both of whom were born in N.H., as well as the N.H. Adjutant General, and Generals Benjamin Pierce and Joseph Low. Citizens from neighboring towns were invited to participate, "without distinction of party." A cavalcade on horseback rode off from the Village at 8 o'clock to meet Gov. Morrill of N.H. at the residence of Hon. Wm. Fisk on Old Manchester Road, and escorted him the three miles back to the Village, where they were met by Capt. Richardson's militia company of infantry amidst the firing of cannon by Capt. Burns' company of artillery. The procession continued across the Common to Ray's Hotel (at 101 Boston Post Road) where "were assembled the officers of the day, distinguished citizens, Gen. [Gov. James] Miller [of Ark.], and several aged patriots of the revolution" on the piazza. Richard Boylston, newspaper publisher,

courthouse (now Town Hall), where about 200 persons of both sexes and all parties, who had paid \$1 per ticket, partook of a good dinner catered by Eber Lawrence, proprietor of the village's other inn (long gone). The toasts included what you would expect (to the Birth Day of Freedom, the memory of Washington, the Patriots of the Revolution, the Constitution, the U.S. Army and the Militia, the State of N.H., the flag, and the gentlemen toasting each other) but also two surprising ones: "the Lancasterian system of education" by Hon. Charles H. Atherton, a lawyer and register of probate and representative to the General Court in 1823, who had been chosen as president of the day; and "May slavery be abolished and the rights of man understood ..." by Calvin Stevens, Esq. (1753-1833) of Mont Vernon, Revolutionary War veteran and civil magistrate known for his correctness and integrity.

The list of organizers and officers in 1824 included the following men of Amherst in addition to those mentioned above: Ephraim Blanchard, furniture maker; Capt. Daniel Campbell, "an octogenarian widower"; Thomas M. Dickey, saddle and harness maker; Capt. Daniel Hartshorn, future proprietor of stove foundry; David M'G. Means, merchant; Robert Means Jr., lawyer; Lt. Luther Melendy, farmer; Capt. Robert Read, merchant and town clerk; Capt. John Secombe, farmer and selectman and county treasurer; Andrew Wallace, lawyer and new clerk of the Court of Common Pleas; E. F. Wallace, lawyer and clerk of the court.

The next big, day-long public event on the Fourth of July in Amherst was held on the Centennial, 1876. As far as I can tell, that is the first time Amherst had a fun parade, as opposed to a solemn dignified procession or militia parade, namely a parade of "Antiques and Horribles" which was intended to be comical.

Although Amherst citizens always commemorated the Fourth in some way or another – typically with annual ringing of the Town's bell (the one in the steeple attached to the Congregational Church, which still belongs to the Town) and other noise, such as boom of canon; sometimes (often?) with lawless mischief; often with group picnics at the lake; occasionally with a concert (e.g., 1855) or fireworks (e.g., 1870) – there was no regular organized public program of celebration in the 19th century.

Sources: For information and quotations about historic Fourth of July activities in Amherst and neighboring towns, *Farmers' Cabinet* newspaper, which was published in Amherst, N.H.

*Katrina Holman welcomes comments to [HistoricAmherstNH@juno.com](mailto:HistoricAmherstNH@juno.com)*

## Announcements

# Sally Long Retires from Amherst Police Department



After 38 years of service to the town of Amherst, Sally Long recognized by the students as the school crossing guard in the village is retiring this year. She was a special officer from 1982 to 2020. Sally was at her post at the corner of Foundry Street and Boston Post Road in the morning and afternoon to protect the safety of students, their parents and drivers in all kinds of weather. Sally became a friendly face to generations of "walkers" on their way to Clark and Wilkins Schools.



Their safety and the orderly flow of traffic through the intersection were her mission. Her presence was reassuring to parents and children alike. She also directed traffic at the Souhegan High School entrance for a period of time. Congratulations, Sally. A well-deserved retirement.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

# Police Crossing Guard

## Clark Elementary School

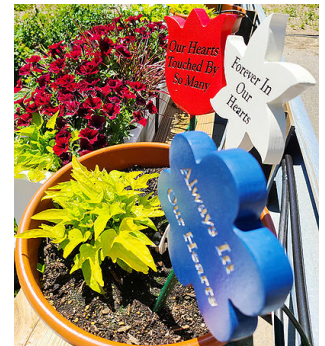
The Amherst Police Department is seeking a dedicated and responsible candidate to fill the position of Special Officer – Crossing Guard for the Clark Elementary School. All training will be provided and no experience is necessary. The successful applicant will be assigned to the pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Foundry Street and Boston Post Road to ensure pedestrian safety and facilitate the safe and orderly flow of traffic throughout the school year. All uniforms and safety apparel will be provided by the Amherst Police Department. Hours of assignment include 45 minutes in the morning and 45 minutes in the afternoon each day that school is in session. Starting pay is \$17.46 per hour. Applicants should submit a resume and/or letter of interest to the Amherst Police Department in person, via mail, or via e-mail. Application closing date is August 1, 2020.

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The Amherst Police Department is an Equal Opportunity Employer

# Amherst Lions Club's Bridge of Flowers Raise Funds for Charity

Wood flowers might soon take over Amherst's Bridge of Flowers. The Amherst Lions Club is selling engraved painted flowers to help beautify the bridge. Selling for \$10 each, one may choose a shape, color and limited engraving with all funds going to local charities. To order, contact an Amherst Lion or go to the Lions' web site at [e-clubhouse.org/sites/amherstnh](http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/amherstnh) and download the order form. Once an order is completed, the Lions will send a receipt and a photo of the "flower" when it is "planted" in either one of the flower pots or in one of the three garden beds. Around Oct. 1, the Lions will arrange to return each "flower" to the purchaser.



Joan Ferguson photo

# Old Home Day 2020 is Cancelled

## COMMUNITY DINNER ON THE GREEN IS PENDING

AMHERST – The Historical Society's Old Home Day committee is very disappointed to announce that September's Old Home Day celebration will be cancelled for 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. We do hope to hold the Community Dinner on the Town Green on September 12, if by that time it is possible to gather for the dinner, safely and legally.

Why did we make this decision now if permissible activities might be expanded by September?

Simply put, the involvement of so many Amherst organizations has grown Old Home Day into a fantastic, fun, and rather large event. This also means that it requires significant amounts of advanced planning and coordination. With the uncertainty surrounding public gatherings due to COVID-19, we're simply not able to secure the many needed contractual and financial commitments from vendors, artisans, performers, food trucks, sponsors etc. These key players are uncertain what September will bring, and so are we. It's just not possible to plan the kind of event we'd all like to have - even if it were to become legal to hold it by September.

Hosting the Community Dinner on the Green is a much simpler affair. This allows us to postpone a decision until much closer to the actual September date in the hope that we will be able to gather as a community at that time.

Thank you for your understanding and support. Stay tuned for more information later this summer.



## Groups

## Invaluable Gardening Guide Now Available at Amherst Garden Center

AMHERST – Do you need a reminder of WHAT to do WHEN in your garden? Whether you are an experienced gardener or new to the scene, The Amherst Garden Club's "Regional Gardening Throughout the Year" is an invaluable guide. Hundreds of helpful hints, facts, and gorgeous photos are categorized by month in a 12" x 9" calendar format. Guides are \$15 each and available exclusively at Amherst Garden Center, Route 101, Amherst. It is a "perennial calendar" with no expiration date; it is invaluable year after year.



Sue Spiess and Meg Clemens, co-chairs of the AGC calendar committee

"Gardening Throughout the Year" is created in celebration of The Amherst Garden Club's 50th anniversary in 2021. Since its inception, the club has been an integral part of the community. What began as a small group of women has grown into a group of 128 women and men who serve the community by following the club's mission: "to provide education, resources and networking opportunities for members to promote the love of gardening, civic landscaping, and environmental responsibility."

The club members, whether novice or experienced gardeners, work hard but enjoy sharing knowledge and gardening experience. The club currently maintains 10 civic gardens, provides scholarships to those seeking further education in horticulture-related endeavors, raises funds for the Memory Tree each Christmas, and supports other garden- and environment-related projects. The Memory Tree, a 25-year tradition, offers a way for the community to honor loved ones. Decorated with tiny white lights, it is located on the Green across from Moulton's Market. Funds raised go to The Amherst Garden Club Charitable Fund, which grants money to worthy community projects consistent with the Garden Club's mission.

Monthly daytime meetings always include educational programs with noted speakers, and are open to the public at no charge. New members are always welcome at the Amherst Garden Club. The meetings are open to the public on the first Thursday from September to May at 9:15 am at Messiah Lutheran Church, 303 Route 101, Amherst.



## Mark Your Calendars: Taste For a Cure For Cystic Fibrosis, Rescheduled for Nov. 5th

MANCHESTER – Due to current social distancing recommendations, our 14th Taste For A Cure For Cystic Fibrosis, has been rescheduled to Nov 5th. The event will still take place at The Executive Court Banqueting Facility in Manchester! Our fabulous Restaurants and Food businesses will be serving their signature dishes and we will still have our amazing silent auction. We are so grateful to local Restaurants, businesses and friends for your continued support, we could not do this without you, and we ask you to support our Restaurants, sponsors and donors in these uncertain times. Taste For A Cure has raised over \$1.2 million in 14 years, and during that time the quality of life and life expectancy for people living with CF has increased tremendously. Thank-you, and we look forward to seeing you on November 5th – tickets now on sale <https://events.cff.org/tasteforacurenh>

## SAVE THE DATE!



## 2nd Annual Michael J. O'Mara Golf Tournament – August 7, 2020 Amherst Country Club

**Proceeds benefit local scholarships and recovery efforts for substance use disorder and mental health.** [Download Form](#)

## LaBelle Winery Receives Financial Help from "One-to-One" Local Business Initiative

AMHERST — Unlike many local businesses, Alkemy Partners in Amherst, NH, has not been significantly impacted by the economic downturn sparked by the COVID-19 pandemic, a circumstance that recently inspired Jim Kaveney, Alkemy's president, to create an initiative called One-to-One, a program that will make it easier for small businesses that are doing well to help those that may be struggling.

Choosing to lead by example, Alkemy will sponsor a large sailcloth tent at LaBelle Winery for a month, which will allow The Bistro at LaBelle Winery to resume serving customers outdoors, in compliance with state COVID-19 safety regulations, helping them get back on their feet more quickly. In return, LaBelle is compiling a list of local businesses in need to share with employees, friends and business partners in the hope that those that are able to do so will help businesses that are struggling become stable again.

"America is the most generous country in the world, and given the challenges our country is facing, I felt it was necessary to help local businesses get back on their feet again. When small business wins, America wins," Kaveney says. "My hope is that the innate kindness and generosity of the American people and our small business community will compel others to participate in One-to-One. We hope it will become a movement to help America come out of this stronger and more united."

Examples of ways that businesses can participate in the One-to-One initiative include local businesses ordering lunch for their employees from a local restaurant or caterer, and companies donating supplies and/or services to other businesses in need.

To help spread the word, Kaveney is asking businesses that participate in One-to-One to share their experience on social media using the hash tag #OneToOneChallenge.

Amy LaBelle, co-owner and winemaker at LaBelle Winery, says, "We are excited to bring this challenge to the local business community and so grateful to be the first recipient in the One-to-One initiative. It feels great to know that local businesses that have maintained their revenue streams during this crisis are willing to help those that have suffered."

For more information on the One-to-One program visit <https://alkemypartners.com/one-to-one> or [www.labellewinery.com/one-to-one-challenge](http://www.labellewinery.com/one-to-one-challenge).

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## Obituaries



### Charles E. Duval

AMHERST – Charles E. Duval, 91, lifelong resident and 3rd generation, of Amherst, NH, died on June 17, 2020 at his home.

He was born on August 30, 1928, a son of John C. and Esther (Hicks) Duval, in Amherst, NH in the same home as his mother and where his parents were married.

Prior to his retirement in 1993, Charlie had been employed for Edgecomb Steel in Nashua, NH for more than 30 years and

later worked for the Town of Amherst Highway Department for 16 years. He was a member of the Amherst Fire Department and served as Chief from 1961-1971, where he was known as A-5. In addition, he was a member of the Lawrence Engine Company where his grandfather had been the Chief.

Charlie served on the Historic District Commission and was named Citizen of the Year in 2004.

He enjoyed camping, traveling, NASCAR races, riding trails on his ATV and chair caning. He also loved attending the McIntyre/Curtis Family Reunions for over 60 years.

Charlie was a U.S. Air Force veteran having served during the Korean War and was honorably discharged in 1952 with the rank of Staff Sergeant. He was a longtime member of the Ricciardi Hartshorn Post #23 American Legion, Milford.

He was predeceased by his loving wife, Patricia (McIntyre) Duval; and a brother, Herbert Duval.

Family members include his daughter and son-in-law, Jan and Web Stout of Canterbury, NH; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Harry and Irma Duval of CT, Francis and Jackie Duval of VT; two nieces, Diane Jocher and her husband Ronnie, Bobbi Shaw and her husband Peter, all of New Jersey.

A graveside service with military honors was held on Wednesday, June 24th at 10:00 am in Meadowview Cemetery, Foundry Street, Amherst.

Those attending were asked to adhere to current guidelines by wearing a mask and observing social distancing. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to Amherst Fire Rescue, P.O. Box 1199, 177 Amherst Street, Amherst, NH 03031. Arrangements are in the care of Smith & Heald Funeral Home, 63 Elm Street, Milford. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please go to [www.smith-heald.com](http://www.smith-heald.com)

VIDEO

### Paul F. Dudley Jr.

AMHERST – Paul F. Dudley Jr., 88, resident of Amherst, NH died on May 31, 2020 in Milford, NH.

He was born in Milton, MA on July 17, 1931, a son of Paul F. and Eleanor (Vickery) Dudley. Paul was raised and educated in Milton, graduating from Milton High School in 1949 and Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME, Class of 1953. He made his home in Amherst, NH for more than 55 years.

Prior to his retirement in 1997, he was employed as a project manager for Ingersoll Rand Corporation, Nashua, NH for more than 33 years and traveled extensively throughout the world. He enjoyed the travel so much it was almost an avocation rather than a vocation.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War and was honorably discharged in 1955 with the rank of 1st Lt. A huge supporter of our military services, he loved a good parade with flags flying.

Paul was an avid outdoorsman. He was a master craftsman and made many beautiful pieces of furniture. He could fix just about anything, inside or outside of his home and loved spending time in his yard and garden. He enjoyed sailing, skiing, cooking and his beloved animals. His music tastes ran to Civil War songs, marches and country. History was a life-long interest.

Paul was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and a loyal and true friend. He was especially proud of his children and grandchildren.

Paul is survived by his devoted wife of 61 years, Evelyn (Bond) Dudley of Amherst, NH; his loving children, Ann Dudley Grady and her husband John Grady, and their son Paul Grady of Hingham, MA, Paul F. Dudley III and his wife Christine Dudley, and their children, Lauren and Anna Dudley of Cary, NC; two nieces and a nephew.

There are no calling hours. Services with military honors will be held at a later date. Arrangements are in the care of Smith & Heald Funeral Home, 63 Elm Street, Milford, NH. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please go to [www.smith-heald.com](http://www.smith-heald.com)

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Obituaries



Lorraine Alice Hamilton

AMHERST – Lorraine Alice Hamilton of Amherst, New Hampshire, Beach Haven, New Jersey and Rancho Mirage, California died June 14, 2020 from pancreatic cancer at her home in California. She was 73 years old and a participant in the trial of a new cancer drug at NYU Langone in New York City since April 2019. She hoped that results from the trial would improve care for other patients who develop this cancer. She was with her family when she died and was blessed to meet her newest

grandson Kurt, who was born on May 30, 2020.

She is survived by her husband of 48 years Ward M. Hamilton, son Ryan M. Hamilton and his wife Katie Hamilton and grandchildren Sylvie, Coralie and Kurt of Redondo Beach CA, son Todd Hamilton and his wife Rosie Funk-Hamilton and grandson Luke of Seattle Washington and a Sister in Law Marcia Hamilton of Fort Myers Florida.

Lorraine was born in Englewood, NJ and raised in Ridgefield, NJ. She was the daughter of Theodore and Bertha Michaelson. She attended Hartwick College in Oneonta, NY where she earned a BS in Sociology and Pasadena College in California where she earned her Nursing Degree. She was a member of Gamma Phi Delta Sorority at Hartwick College. Her early career was in social casework for the Bergen County NJ Welfare Board, Emergency and Critical Care Nursing in California and New Jersey, School Nursing in Connecticut and New Hampshire as well as specialized nursing in New Hampshire before she retired. She was a Certified Mobile Intensive Care Unit Nurse in California.

She was an active volunteer at Bishop Guertin High School in Nashua for many years helping with fundraising during her association for student scholarships. She also served on the Bishop Guertin School Board for two terms in 2001-2007. She and her husband joined a Medical Missions for Children Team for ten days in Ecuador in 2018 that completed surgeries for 80 children with cleft palates and other oral and facial deformities. She described her participation in the mission as one of her most rewarding experiences as a nurse and caregiver.

Lorraine was a skilled crafter who loved creating unique jewelry, and knitted pieces. She had many of her works on sale at boutiques in New Hampshire, California and New Jersey. She loved the ocean having spent most summers in New Jersey on Long Beach Island at her summer home. She enjoyed extensive travel around the world before her illness. She was a member of Sacred Heart Church in Palm Desert California.

Visitation for family and friends will be held at Smith & Heald Funeral Home, 63 Elm Street in Milford, NH on June 22 between the hours of 1:00pm and 4:00pm and 6:00pm to 8:00pm. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on June 23, 2020 at Saint Patrick Church at 34 Amherst Street, Milford, NH at 11:00am. A reception and lunch immediately following the Funeral Service at Labelle Winery, 345 NH Route 101 Amherst, NH is also planned. All gatherings will adhere to social distancing recommendations in place. Masks are required at the Funeral Home and Church. Burial is planned at the Riverside National Veterans Cemetery in Riverside, California at a later date.

Donations in her memory are sincerely appreciated to: Bishop Guertin High School, Scholarships, 194 Lund Road, Nashua, NH 03060 or Medical Missions for Children, 100 Cummings Center, Suite 128g, Beverly, MA 01915. Arrangements are in the care of Smith & Heald Funeral Home, 63 Elm Street, Milford. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please go to [www.smith-heald.com](http://www.smith-heald.com)



Donald Richard Haaker

Donald Richard Haaker, 80, born June 2, 1940, son of Carl E Haaker and Jeanne LaRochelle Haaker of Fitchburg, MA, son, brother, father, grandfather, and great grandfather, peacefully passed away on Sunday, June 7, 2020 at Saint Luke's Hospital in New Bedford, MA.

Don, as he was affectionately referred to by friends, and Dad or Grandpa by family, was a proud veteran, avid fisherman, former business owner, collector of "As Seen On TV" gadgets, and

the handiest handyman. A jack-of-all-trades, Don always had multiple projects underway because of his rich knowledge of carpentry, plumbing, automotive, and electrical. There was no repair job or task too daunting for him and the complexity of the challenge was often expressed by a string of passionate expletives uttered under his breath as he worked. He was always willing to come to the aid of family and friends. Two of his coolest creations were a tree house on stilts and a sturdy well-loved custom swing set he built for his children.

He loved family holiday get-togethers and meals, especially his daughter Cheryl's prime rib and Jennifer's roasted turkey and stuffing as well as her chilled summer coconut cake. He enjoyed making "Haaker snacks" with his son Bryan and daughter Erin. Don often entertained others with his vivid and entertaining stories and tall tales. He was known for his sharp wit and ingenuity.

Don was also an enthusiastic longtime ham radio operator - an interest that grew from his service days while he was stationed in Germany. He enjoyed connecting with and mentoring a community of fellow amateur operators locally and across the world, engaging in two-way communications on many different waves and frequencies socially or in times of emergency. A longtime member of the Barnstable Amateur Radio Club (BARC), he originally maintained the 147.045 MHz Dennis Repeater, which was known for having the best signal on the Cape.

A smart dresser, Don was also considered "easy on the eyes" by many and a "Casanova" of his time. An admirer of women, he was always passionately engaged in the pursuit of romance.

Don was a persuasive and successful salesman as well as a somewhat infamous flea market haggler. Most weekends Don could be found frequenting the market and ham radio fest circuit on the hunt for a great deal and excited about the possibility of turning a quick profit as a vendor. He could be found at the end of these events scarfing up left behind items remarking, "If it's free it's for me" and would successfully turn around and sell those items the next week. In the end, Don's widespread and frequent use of liquid nails paired with the old adage, "It's good enough for government work" ironically captures his unique philosophy in life to work hard, do your best, and not sweat the small stuff.

Predeceased by his first wife Barbara Richard Haaker and his second wife Caroline Peaslee Haaker, Don is survived by his four adult children Cheryl Gilmore of Marston Mills, MA, Jennifer Bertrand of Mont Vernon, NH, Bryan Haaker of Weare, NH, and Erin Haaker of Omak, WA, ten grandchildren and one great grandchild with another on the way. Don is also survived by his younger brother, David C Haaker of Baldwinville, MA and predeceased by his older brother Carl Haaker Jr. (Jim).

A graveside service and military honors is scheduled for 12:45 PM, Thursday, July 2, 2020 at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne, MA. In Lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Barnstable Amateur Radio Club (BARC) at P.O. Box 322 South Dennis, MA 02660 in memory of Donald Haaker, W1CIA, formerly WA1AIC.



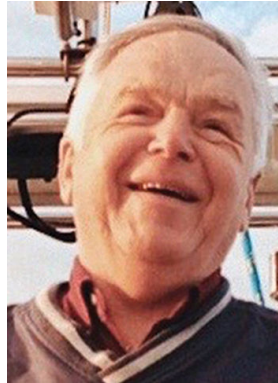


## Obituaries

### Eric Hampton Nickerson

AMHERST – May 13, 1947 – June 10, 2020, Eric Hampton Nickerson passed away peacefully in his home in the early morning of June 10, 2020, at the age of 73 after fighting a courageous battle with cancer.

Eric was a 14-year resident of Milford, NH and a 28-year resident of Amherst, NH. He was born on May 13, 1947 in Greenwich, CT to Robert Edward Nickerson and Mary Jane Caldwell Nickerson. Eric predeceases his mother, a resident of Candler, NC.



Eric is survived by his wife, Marie Labrie Nickerson; his children, Lisa Nickerson and her former husband, Mark McGonagle and their three children, and her partner Robert Cramer of Wayland, MA; Robert Eric Nickerson and his wife Lori Nickerson and their three children of Hopkinton, MA; his former wife and mother of Lisa and Rob, Jane Vance Nickerson of Natick, MA; step-son Nathan Neveu and his wife Jennifer Kilday Neveu and their two children of Nashua, NH; his sister Jan Nickerson and husband John Graham of Candler, NC and their children Jamie Gay and Jenna Graham; his former sister-in-law, Arlene Benedict Nickerson of Stamford, CT; his nephew, Dillon Bowman; and many cousins including Mary Schempp-Berg and her husband David Berg of Whangarei, New Zealand. Eric was predeceased by his father, and his brother, Robert Tek Nickerson.

Eric grew up in Old Greenwich, CT and attended the college-preparatory, Holderness School in Holderness, NH. He attended Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester, MA where he received his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering and Control Theory. He was also a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, commonly known as Fiji. Eric later graduated from the University of Rhode Island – College of Business with his Master of Business Administration. Eric maintained many close friends from his fraternity and recently attended the 50th reunion in Newport, RI.

Early in Eric's career he worked at Burndy Corporation and Texas Instruments. In 1978, Eric joined Teradyne Connection Systems in Nashua, NH where he worked for 27 years before leaving his role as the Global Account Manager for Contract Manufacturing. After leaving Teradyne, Eric worked with Harting, and Navico. Eric also enjoyed his time counseling small businesses as a Certified Mentor for SCORE, and his work as a UNH Marine Docent.

Eric, known for his strong work ethic, always found ways to be productive. He loved projects, working around his house, and finding ways to make things better or more efficient. His children will often reference "not being caught sitting" as kids because if Dad came around, you would quickly find yourself mowing the lawn or doing various chores around the house!

When Eric wasn't working, he was most often hot air ballooning. His beautiful, multi-colored balloon would often be seen in the skies of southern New Hampshire during early morning or early evening flights. Eric would also participate in many balloon rallies, from Milford, NH's High Hopes fundraising rally that welcomed thousands of people from far and wide, to the "Balloons over Letchworth" in Castile, NY which was his favorite rally of them all.

An avid sailor, Eric found ballooning "the closest thing to sailing". A lover of New England's coast, when Eric could get on the water, you would find him on the Windjammer Angelique, his favorite sailboat for cruising the coast and taking in New England's majestic lighthouses. He also loved that his wife, Marie, was the Steward of Celia Thaxter's Garden on Appledore Island, Isles of Shoals. Appledore is home to the Shoals Marine Laboratory which is operated jointly by Cornell University and the University of New Hampshire. Eric felt at home on the island and often volunteered for various projects.

Always curious and ready for an adventure, Eric traveled far and wide with his friends and family. From Antarctica to Australia and New Zealand, to weeks-long sailing trips with his cousin Mary and her husband Dave, and, of course, hot-air balloon rallies across the country. Whether it was skydiving or bungee jumping, he was always on a mission to experience something unique and special.

Eric's final flight takes him to a place where he will be reunited with family and friends. He will certainly continue socializing, laughing, and figuring out how to fix something or make it better. If only we could hear Eric sharing stories of iPhones and WiFi with his grandfather, Orestes H. Caldwell, who notably coined the word "electronics". Dr. Caldwell was a passionate fan of electronic gadgets, one of the first five members of the U. S. Federal Radio Commission, a pioneer in commercial radio, and a significant influence in Eric's fascination with technology. The family will host a private service when the opportunity for travel permits.

Gifts in Mr. Nickerson's memory can be made to the Shoals Marine Laboratory, as a memorial gift to Worcester Polytechnic Institute, or in support of Dr. Adam Bass' Research Fund at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

Arrangements are being handled by Michaud Funeral Home & Crematorium in Wilton, NH.



Arts & Entertainment

# Summer Palettes: Impressionist & Modernist Works from the 19th Century to Present

*Online Exhibition at New Hampshire Antique Co-Op Opens June 13*

MILFORD – New Hampshire Antique Co-op presents a unique way to tour art without leaving your home — an online exhibition, Summer Palettes: Impressionist & Modernist Works from the 19th Century to Present, viewed on their gallery's website from June 13 through September 30, 2020. The exhibition explores the essence of summertime through landscape, seascape and still-life paintings that evoke the spirit of the season.

The Summer Palettes exhibition and sale features more than 50 works by artists from the 19th century as well as contemporary and local artists. Each piece has been selected because it expresses the color and energy of summer, whether it be a landscape, day at the beach or a vista of a waterfall after a hike in the White Mountains.

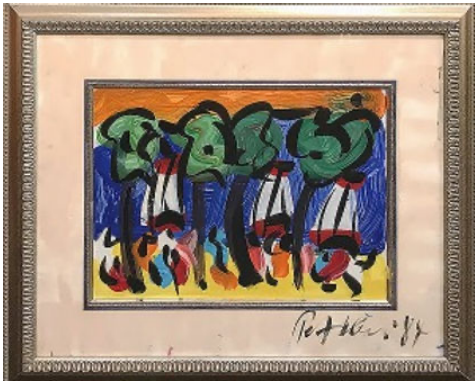
The paintings in this exhibition include works by noted 19th, 20th & 21st century artists, such as Lilla Cabot Perry (1848-1933); Emil Carlsen (1848-1932); Joseph Paul Hussar (1911-1993); Charles Herbert Woodbury (1864-1940); Jane Peterson (1876-1965); Anthony Thieme (1888-1954); Dorothea Litzinger (1889-1925); Peter Robert Keil (b. 1942); Lee Lufkin Kaula (1865-1957); contemporary New Hampshire artists Erik Koeppel, Chris Myott, Roz Park, Mary Phillips, and Carol Robey; and contemporary Cape Cod artist William R. Davis; plus many more.



Lilla Cabot Perry (1848-1933), From My Window in Hancock, NH, oil on canvas board, 12" x 15"

**Exhibition on view online at the NHAC website:**  
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**Opens online June 13; View online 24/7 June 13 through September 30, 2020**



Peter Robert Keil (b. 1942), Sailboats & Trees, oil on panel, 15" x 19"

Impressionism and Modernism are two art movements that emerged in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Each considered to be radical in their own time, they were departures from traditional forms of art that embraced realism and classical forms. Impressionist painters use brushstrokes instead of hard lines to capture the transient effects of reflective light on an object. Modernist painters experiment with shape and color, using forms that are more symbolic than realistic.

A leading artist featured in Summer Palettes is American Impressionist artist Lilla Cabot Perry, born in 1848 in Boston, Massachusetts where she was a founder of the Guild of Boston Artists. Perry lived next door to Claude Monet in Giverny, France for ten years, and her work was influenced by his Impressionist style. She was instrumental in promoting Impressionism and introducing Claude Monet to art audiences in the United States. In her later years, Perry resided and painted in Hancock, New Hampshire, where she continued to work until she died in 1933 at the age of eighty-six. The Monadnock region celebrates Lilla Cabot Perry as part of a long-standing tradition of artists who were — and still are — drawn to the area to paint, sculpt, write and compose.

Also featured in Summer Palettes are father-and-son artists Emil Carlsen (1848-1932) and Dines Carlsen (1901-1966). Danish-born artist Emil Carlsen studied architecture at the Danish Royal Academy before emigrating to Chicago at age 19. He later traveled to Europe to study the Old Masters, returning to Chicago where he taught at the Chicago Art Institute. Carlsen perceived art as pure aesthetics with its only language being color, masses, and rhythms of line. Dines Carlsen, Emil's son, was born in New York and studied with his father. At age fifteen he exhibited at the National Academy of Design and the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, DC. He was a member of the National Academy of Design and the Grand Central Art Galleries, and had homes in Falls Village, Connecticut and Summerville, South Carolina. Dines Carlsen became well known for not only his still-life paintings but also his landscapes.



Dines Carlsen (1901-1966), Still Life with Flowers, oil on canvas, 22" x 18"

German/American artist Peter Robert Keil was born in Züllichau, Pomerania (now Poland) and studied at the University of the Arts, Berlin. He admired the works of the Expressionists — Picasso in particular, whom he met in Spain. The expressiveness of vivid color opened a way to temporarily escape from the dullness and depression of everyday life in post-war Germany.

Summer Palettes: Impressionist & Modernist Works from the 19th Century to Present will take you to coastal towns where the summer light reflects off a church steeple and sailboats glide into a quiet cove. Linger in gardens or a country orchard and lounge in quiet repose under the cool shade of a tree. Experience the vibrant colors of bouquets in floral still lifes that capture the diversity of summer blossoms. Pour yourself a glass of something cool and refreshing, and tour this summer exhibition from the comfort and safety of home.

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## Mont Vernon

### Daland Memorial Library News

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#### Curbside Pickup Hours:

Monday- Friday: 10:00am – 3:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am – 1:00pm

Sunday: Closed

#### Hooray for Hoopla!

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#### Pins and Needles by Zoom

Pins and Needles is back! Get out your knitting, needlework, or any other project that requires pins and needles and join us for an hour of social stitching from home on Zoom. Visit the library website at [www.dalandlibrary.com](http://www.dalandlibrary.com) for the latest Zoom invitation with log in and password. Can't wait to see what you are creating Mont Vernon!



#### Summer Reading Program: Imagine Your Story

Can you imagine a summer without the summer reading program for the children at the library? We couldn't either. Miss JoAnn has developed a fantastic reading program based on a classic fairy tale theme that is a combination of virtual programs, curbside crafts, fun outdoor activities and of course reading! Thanks to a CARES Act grant from the NH State Library, we are able to offer READsquared to parents so they can easily sign up online this year for the summer reading program by simply visiting <http://dalandlibrary.readsquared.com/>. Registration is required. Ages 0-18 welcome. Registration will begin Saturday, June 6th-Saturday, July 4th. Follow the library on Facebook and Instagram to see Storytimes and Puppet Shows performed by Miss JoAnn all summer!! Books for children will be available through Curbside Pickup to help participants reach their reading goals. Summer is going to be different but awesome here at the library. See you soon!

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Monday, July 13, 2020 6:30 PM

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Amherst Board of Selectmen, per NH RSA 31:95-e, II, hereby announces to the citizens of Amherst the convening of a Public Hearing to take input on the acceptance of an easement located at Lot 6-88/14 Pavilion Road, Amherst, NH.

Map & Lot: 06/088/000  
Owner of Record: GLEASON TRUSTEE JOHN L.

Please click the link to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84489331066> Or  
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8/5/20 and Thursday, 8/6/20, 5-8pm (grades 9-12)  
FIELD HOCKEY LEAGUES/DATES  
Divisions (Entering Grades in Fall):  
Grades 1-8: 8/23/20 to 8/4/20  
High School Division: 8/23/20 to 8/4/20  
College Division: 8/23/20 to 7/7/20-8/1/20

**FALL PROGRAMS**  
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