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School Bells Are Ringing...!

AMHERST – This week Amherst and Mont Vernon children will be returning to our schools. Grades 9 through 12 will be having staggered starts at Souhegan High School... elementary schools will be welcoming students to Amherst Middle School, and Clark-Wilkins schools with safety protocols in place. Parents have been given the choice of in-school attendance, remote learning, or a combination of the two depending on their comfort levels with safety concerns. Buses will run according to [schedules available here](#) ...



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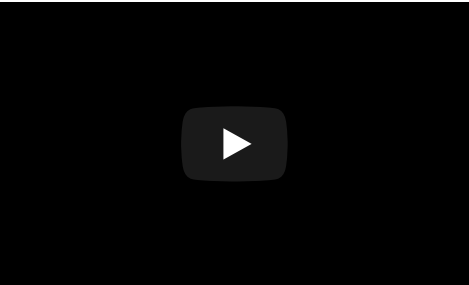
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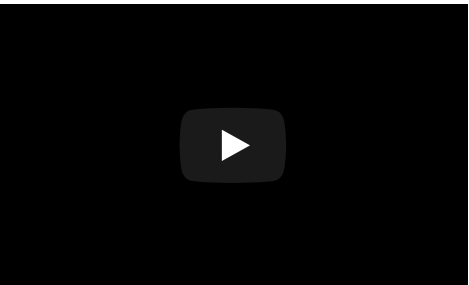
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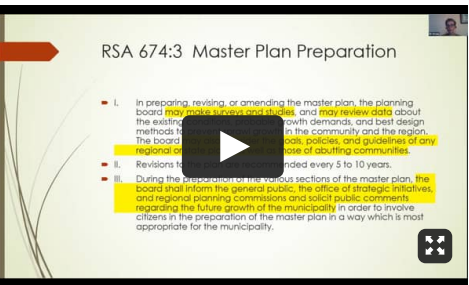
The Amherst School District Board held a second meeting August 20th following one two days prior ...



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Letters

SEPTEMBER 2020

Amherst School Board

September Letter to the Editor:

Schools are open, busses are running, and kids are sitting in classrooms while teachers present lessons in front of them. In other words, it sounds like a normal September is underway for Amherst School District. If only it were that simple.

After the more bizarre summer most of us can remember, Amherst schools are open for learning. To get to this point, there have been hundreds of people spending thousands of hours determining the best way to provide the best possible education for our kids. They have produced hundreds of pages of detailed plans and protocols to ensure this is done as safely as possible. You can view all the plans at www.sau39.org but, in a nutshell, this is the current state of affairs:

1. Administrators of SAU 39 announced a plan to open schools in early August. The plan gives students, parents, and teachers the choice – based on their personal health, safety, and comfort – of returning to in-person learning five days a week or learning and teaching remotely.
2. The school year will be divided into approximately month-long segments, with parents AND educators being asked prior to each segment if they will attend remotely or in the classroom.
3. Prior to each segment, the SAU will set a status for how ‘open’ the schools will be for the upcoming session based on COVID-19 conditions in our community and state while following any guidance or orders issued by the governor.
4. This color-coded system ranges from red (100% remote learning) to orange (25% capacity) to yellow (70% open) to green (90 percent open), and blue (99 percent open, all systems near normal). We are currently operating in a yellow status, meaning schools are open to any student who wishes to return to campus.
5. Approximately 70 percent of students and teachers opted for in-person learning for the introductory two-week segment. Decisions on segment two, another two-week session, will be made after press time. The first lengthier session begins at the end of the month.

To make the above work, the district has put in place strict cleaning and safety procedures. These include:

- Mandatory masking for all students and teachers in orange and yellow status.
- Upgrades to the heating and air systems for air quality and air flow.
- Limited capacity on school busses with students wearing masks and occupying every other row.
- Intensive hourly, daily, and weekly cleaning in every building.
- Daily verification that teachers and students are symptom-free and feeling well before entering a building.
- New classroom arrangements limit the number of interactions each teacher and student has during the day.
- Children eat lunch in the class and spend recess with their cohorts outside.
- Teachers will be encouraged to use outdoor classrooms as much as possible.
- Strict quarantine plans for students or teachers who have symptoms, have had exposure, or are diagnosed with COVID-19.

Now you would not be wrong to ask the question, how much does this plan cost? In short, over \$1.3 million for supplies and staffing, plus hundreds of thousands more for HVAC modifications that are being prioritized now rather than scheduled down the road in our master facilities plan.

To pay for this, we have petitioned the New Hampshire Department of Education (DOE) to utilize the unreserved fund balance (UFB) from the 2019-20 school year.** In April, Governor Chris Sununu foresaw many districts in the state needing additional funds to cover the additional costs of opening schools safely during the pandemic. In lieu of this information, he signed Emergency Order 38, which allows school districts to apply to the DOE to access these funds.

This was not our original intent with the UFB. When we got word in June that the UFB balance would be about \$1.4 million, we approved \$400,000 for the district to use on a variety of projects while \$1 million would be returned to taxpayers. When the fiscal year officially ended June 30, and after some of that \$400,000 was expended, more than \$1.5 million remained in our UFB. In a normal year, this money would have been returned to taxpayers as planned. However, after a lengthy discussion,

the board voted to allow the administration to apply to the DOE to utilize these funds for our 2020-21 school year reopening plan. We chose this

Shannon Chandley Deserves Your Consideration

To the editor:

Some time in late March or early April, my phone rang during the day while I was home poking at my computer keyboard trying to engage in meaningful teaching during the initial weeks of the pandemic shut down. In a fog of Google Classroom flubs and disappearing students, I was surprised to hear the calm, reassuring voice of my state senator on the line. Shannon Chandley called me “just to check in” during the crisis.

To be clear, I am not a big donor or a power player in New Hampshire politics. What I am is someone who works hard in the local community on behalf of others and is willing to share my struggles. As a teacher, I have a unique window on how situations play out in the arena of public education. Shannon recognized my position and was able to reach a key source in our community. Thankfully, I felt supported during this time from my employer, the Milford School District, but I was able to connect Shannon with other constituents who were not being as well served.

Shannon Chandley is the kind of representative who looks to serve, reaches out in times of need and works tirelessly to pass meaningful legislation that helps New Hampshire families. Senator Chandley successfully saw the removal of the Merrimack tolls, and has been working with other “water warriors” on a state senate committee to address PFAs chemical contamination of water in an omnibus bill. She works on small nuisances and thorny scientific and legal issues alike to make New Hampshire a better and more livable place for all. State Senator Shannon Chandley is running for re-election to continue representing District 11. She has my vote, and deserves your careful consideration.

Sincerely,
Beth Haverkamp Powers
Amherst

Vote For Justice in Hillsborough County

To the editor:

Many voters do not know the function and importance of their County Attorney.

The Hillsborough County Attorney is the equivalent of what would be a District Attorney (DA) in larger city prosecution offices. The County Attorney is responsible for prosecution of the most serious offenses within the county, including most felony offenses. Hillsborough County has the largest and most complex County Attorney’s Office in New Hampshire.

Any New Hampshire attorney is eligible to run for the position of County Attorney. However, as has been clearly demonstrated in recent years, not every New Hampshire attorney has the knowledge and experience necessary to do the job.

Michael Conlon met that minimum qualification in 2018. It soon became evident that he did not have the legal, organizational, and courtroom knowledge and experience to understand the complexities of the Hillsborough County Attorney’s Office.

Many senior law enforcement personnel, professional prosecutors, and defense attorneys attempted to assist him on multiple occasions, by offering advice, assistance, and recommendations. Finally, the State Attorney General called for Michael Conlon’s resignation due to his inability to fulfill the role.

When Mr. Conlon refused to resign, the Attorney General was compelled to take over the direct supervision and management of the office in September, 2019.

The Hillsborough County Police Chiefs Association, in an unprecedented move, issued a vote of “No Confidence” in Mr. Conlon. Yet, he remained there and continues to hold that office.

Worse yet, he still meets that minimum qualification to run for the office again this Fall.

There exists a serious disconnect between the current Hillsborough County Attorney, law enforcement, and the other stakeholders in

those involved in this decision, and preparing plans for the school and

option for a variety of reasons:

1. Overseeing the education of the children of this community is our elected purpose. Countless experts across the world have repeatedly stated this summer there is no proper substitute for in-person learning, no matter how robust the remote system is (and ours will be robust!).
2. Those same experts have said there are safe ways to open with proper protocols in place.
3. The social-emotional impact on kids in the last six months is unprecedented. Returning to schools can mitigate this.
4. New Hampshire is in a good place in the battle with COVID-19. Had the numbers been more extreme, our plan would be different. If they numbers change, our plan is adaptable.
5. This plan satisfies the needs of most of the families in our district. Those who want to return to school can, while those who want or need to stay home for health reasons have that choice.
6. As the state and economy continue to open, parents need to return to work and not everyone can do so if schools are remote only.
7. There is no additional tax impact if we use the UFB funds. In the face of economic hardship, huge unemployment, and an uncertain fall and winter, we did not want to place another tax burden on the community.

We did not relish taking this decision out of taxpayers' hands but we did so unanimously for the reasons listed above, plus dozens of others. Had the board not chosen this route, we would have brought the request to the public for a special meeting, which entails a warrant article asking for the money followed by public hearing, deliberative session, and an official vote. This process would have resulted in an additional tax impact and taken months to organize. And if it failed, we would likely have had to close schools and go fully remote for the duration of the year. As mentioned above, we did not think this the best option for our students or community.

There is no easy way to navigate the current state of our world but we made the best decisions we could make with the health, safety, and education of our community firmly in mind. Let's hope that New Hampshire continues to put up the good fight against COVID-19 and that science comes to our aid sooner rather than later. In the meantime, our next meetings are scheduled for September 14 – Amherst School Board at 4 p.m. and the SAU join-level board at 6:15 p.m. During the SAU meeting, we will be appointing community members to the SAU budget committee. If you are interested in assisting with the development of the SAU budget, email SAU board chair Stephen O'Keefe at sokeefe@sprise.com. The Amherst district will get a first look at the 2021-22 budget in October.

**At press time, the DOE and our district were still discussing the legitimacy of the district's funding request based on ambiguity in the executive order.

Amherst School Board
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Tony Labranche is Running for State Representative from Amherst

To the editor:

Earlier this year, I ran to be on the Souhegan Cooperative School Board (SCSB). With the support of my friends, family, and people throughout Amherst, I was able to draw attention to the issues I saw first hand with our schools. Since then, I have stayed involved in local and national politics and have become the Treasurer for the Amherst Democrats and was selected to be an alternate delegate to the DNC. Although I did not get elected, I gained an incredible amount of experience and learned much about the issues in my town. I talked with people on the ground level and heard their concerns. I heard how much the people in this town are burdened by property taxes, medical care, the education of their children, their jobs, and more. From that point, I realized that I had more opportunities to serve this community. I did not achieve what I originally set out to do, so I started working on a new goal. With the knowledge I had gained from running for SCSB, I have decided to run for State Representative. Together, I believe that we can make pragmatic change for Granite Staters and make genuine progress for our community. We need to take better care of our workers, our environment, our students and teachers, and even our very electoral system.

With your support, we can fight together for lower property taxes, proper funding of education, rank-choice voting, paid family and sick leave, protection of our environment, and the many other issues that harm our families, neighbors, and towns. You can help support my campaign by visiting tonylabranche.com

Thank you,
Tony Labranche
Amherst

County Attorney, Tax Commissioner, and the other stakeholders in Hillsborough County. The people of Hillsborough County deserve better and expect more of our Hillsborough County Attorney. I retired as a Senior Justice in the New Hampshire State Circuit Court to run for Hillsborough County Attorney. I have actively sought out and spoken with defense bar members and police chiefs, listening and seeking their recommendations. I do not pretend to have all of the answers, but I have built a forty-year law career, to include twenty years in civilian private practice, fifteen years as a State judge, and military experience as a US Marine Corps and later Army Guard/Reserve judge advocate. I deployed three times to Iraq as a judge advocate. I served as a Liaison to the Iraq General Counsel's Office for the Iraq Ministry of Defense to rebuild their military courts and establish the Rule of Law. I served for thirteen years as a State Human Rights Commissioner, with eight of those years as the Chair of the Commission. I want to use all of that training, education, experience and insight on behalf of my fellow citizens of Hillsborough County. I would be deeply honored to serve as the next Hillsborough County Attorney and I respectfully ask for their vote.

Sincerely,
John J. Coughlin
Amherst

Peter Maresco Seeks Your Support in NH State Primary

To the editor:

My name is Peter Maresco and I am a candidate for State Representative in Hillsborough County District 22 representing Amherst. I was motivated to run after witnessing two consecutive budgets that proposed increases in both personal and business taxes and would have negatively impacted our community. I welcome the opportunity to represent our town in Concord to help maintain the New Hampshire way of life we all currently enjoy. I was born and raised in the Bronx, then moved to Westchester County after marrying my wife, Lisa. We relocated to Amherst in 2000 in search of a better environment to raise our two children, Emily and Alex. After benefitting from the unique and wonderful New Hampshire way of life and having a great experience with the Amherst school system, it is clear we could not have made a better choice for our family. Given the opportunity to be your State Rep, I will work tirelessly to make sure that this wonderful environment remains intact for many years to come. I recently retired from a 40-year career as a system engineer at BAE Systems. I received both a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering from Manhattan College in the Bronx. I also obtained an MBA in Financial Management from Iona College in New Rochelle, NY. Since I was always interested in education, I served for three years on the Amherst School Board and four years on the Souhegan School Board. Through my school board service, I have hopefully demonstrated my ability to listen to both sides of an issue and ask probing questions while maintaining focus on the best interests of our students and our town. I am asking for your support to help me take that same independent thinking approach to Concord to help protect the New Hampshire Advantage.

Sincerely,
Pete Maresco
Amherst

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Amherst Citizen's "e-newsletter"

Planning Board Denies Transformation 2 Application

AMHERST – At the July 23 Planning Board meeting, chair Arnie Rosenblatt explained that the public hearing was to determine whether the new Transformation application for the Jacobson farm on Christian Hill Road was sufficiently different from the first application. Rosenblatt explained if the Board decides the new application is not sufficiently or materially different, the application process ends.

After a lengthy ZOOM meeting discussion, the board voted against the motion to accept the changes as material in the TransFormations 2 application presented by Carter Scott and Transformations, Inc. The planned residential development originally proposed under the Integrated Innovative Housing Ordinance (IIHO) contained 64 housing units which included tiny houses. Four tiny houses were removed from the plan.

Additionally, the road layout was changed to reduce the number of linear feet of roads. Pennichuck Water after conducting a pump test determined that public water would not be economically feasible. Concluding that 60 housing units would be best served by private wells. A traffic study by Stephen G. Pernaw and Co. determined that the traffic generated would not significantly alter traffic in Amherst.

Planning board members questioned Carter Scott on whether what he presented was sufficiently different from the original application.

Christy Houppis noted that the number of workforce housing units went from 17 to 26. When asked what the total number of bedrooms was in the new application, Scott said he didn't have that information with him. Concerning the traffic study, Houppis commented that the original application didn't even have a traffic study included and now you have added one.

Mike Dell Orfano noted that the application is proposing 26 workforce housing units which is, 50% more than the first application. Dell Farno also commented that the reduction in the number of roofs in the proposal reduces the number of impervious surfaces. Should the application move forward, Scott should emphasize the positive effect this has on the hydrogeology.

Brian Coogan asked Scott what he considers to be materially different in this plan. Scott replied that the changed number of units, location of buildings, roadways and water supply all comprise significant differences.

Scott explained to Marilyn Peterman that the workforce housing met only 2 of the criteria for workforce housing, price point and deed restriction.

Arnie Rosenblatt asked about the farming aspect of the application. Scott commented that there seemed to be resistance to the farming aspect of the plan, so the second application doesn't seek approval for farming. He said the present application is now considered a sustainable community not an agrihood.

Public comments via ZOOM.

Tony Yakovakis stated that removing 4 units isn't a large difference. And the total amount of land is still the same with private wells.

Tim Kachmar agreed that removing 4 tiny houses was not materially different. He believes that critical information was missing from the application. Tom Quinn said that adding a water study and traffic report are inconsequential. He said that none of these alterations to the proposal have anything to do with the reason the initial application was denied. The Board discussion ensued. Bill Stoughton stated that the Jacobson II plan is not materially different from the initial application. The application does

not address concerns that led to the denial of the original application: namely, safety and traffic issues. The submitted traffic study shows an adverse effect from the traffic projected for the revised application. Mike Dell Orfano believes the new application offers the town workforce housing which, meets the spirit of the law and is a significant contribution to this town's fair share. He also thought the reduction in road area was material because it reduces the hydrogeological effects of road runoff. The reduced number of roofs reduces the impervious surfaces and thus the amount of runoff.

Dell Orfano considers the proposed development significantly better than what would have been done just as a grid subdivision, which he thinks would be a travesty. TransFormations 2 should be allowed to proceed.

Marilyn Peterman said the new application changed the number of units, in particular the affordable housing units. The road changes from 1,200 to 800 feet, which is a material difference, with grades changing and the elimination of waivers – also a material difference. She noted again the increase in workforce housing from 17 to 26 units as a material difference. Peterman said private onsite wells, instead of public water supply, was a material difference. She stated the impact to the community is not usually considered a material difference.

Chris Yates explained that the proposed density of the site has been an issue for the community, this has not been addressed in this new application. He continued that the removal of the four tiny homes did not address the issue and he did not see it as a material change.

Cynthia Dokmo stated that she was a big fan of affordable housing and thinks that type of housing enhances the town but has the new application met the burden of proof that this new plan is materially different. It isn't. Fewer houses being proposed, the units are slightly moved around on the site, and a proposed shorter road and the applicant did not address the total number of bedrooms proposed. Dokmo did not think the applicant had met the burden for those reasons.

Dwight Brew noted there were changes between the first and second plans; however, when he reviewed the two plans he does not view the second plan as being sufficiently different from the first application. He also doesn't see that the concerns voiced the last time were addressed in this application, even with the additional supplied data.

Mike Dell Orfano moved to accept the changes as material in TransFormations 2 over TransFormations 1. Marilyn Peterman seconded.

Roll call: Mike Dell Orfano – aye; Brian Coogan – nay; Marilyn Peterman – aye; Cynthia Dokmo – nay; Dwight Brew – nay; and Bill Stoughton – nay. 2-4-0; motion defeated.

The second motion by Cynthia Dokmo moved that the applicant has not carried its burden of proving that second application is materially different from the first. Dwight Brew seconded.

Roll call: Mike Dell Orfano – nay; Brian Coogan – aye; Cynthia Dokmo – aye; Dwight Brew – aye; Bill Stoughton – aye, and Marilyn Peterman – nay. 4-2-0; motion carried.

Library

SEPTEMBER 2020


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Additionally, the Governor just released guidelines for reopening NH libraries and we continue to work on a plan for a phased reopening of the building.

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New Hampshire State Primary Elections ~ September 8, 2020

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FOR

AMHERST REPUBLICAN


STATE PRIMARY ELECTION


September 8, 2020

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<div>For Governor</div> <div>Vote for not more than 1</div> <div>Nobody <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Chris Sununu <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Karen Testerman <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div>	<div>For State Senator</div> <div>Vote for not more than 1</div> <div>Gary L. Daniels <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div> <div>For State Representatives Hillsborough District 22</div> <div>Vote for not more than 3</div> <div>Danielle Pray <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Pamela Coughlin <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Peter T. Hansen <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Peter Maresco <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div>	<div>For County Treasurer</div> <div>Vote for not more than 1</div> <div>David G. Fredette <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div> <div>For Register of Deeds</div> <div>Vote for not more than 1</div> <div>Jack Flanagan <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Edward J. Sapientza <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div> <div>For Register of Probate</div> <div>Vote for not more than 1</div> <div>David Salvatore Recupero <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Elizabeth Ann Moreau <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div>
<div>For United States Senator</div> <div>Vote for not more than 1</div> <div>Andy Martin <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Corky Messner <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Gerard Beloin <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Don Bolduc <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div>	<div>For Representative in Congress</div> <div>Vote for not more than 1</div> <div>Eli D. Clemmer <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Steven Negren <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Matthew D. Bjelobrk <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Lynne Ferrari Blankenbeker <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div>	<div>For County Commissioner</div> <div>Vote for not more than 1</div> <div>Robert H. Rowe <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div> <div>For Delegates to the State Convention</div> <div>Vote for not more than 3</div> <div>Christopher A. Ager <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Jason Hennessey <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Carolyn McKinney <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Christine Peters <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Mark D. Vincent <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div> <div>Write-in <input type="radio"/></div>
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FOR

AMHERST DEMOCRATIC

STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

September 8, 2020

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Important Voting Information:

- Voter Registrations – Documents Required
- Voter Registrations – Party Affiliation/Changes
- Absentee Ballots – Options
- Forms & Documents Required
- Contact Information

Click on the form below to download complete Voter Information and your options for 2020

VOTER INFORMATION 2020

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT DURING THE PANDEMIC, IN-PERSON CONTACT IS BEING LIMITED. CURRENTLY, THE AMHERST TOWN CLERK IS OPERATING BY APPOINTMENT THROUGH AN OUTSIDE WINDOW TO ENABLE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED SAFELY.


New Options for Voting in 2020

Upcoming Elections

NH Primary Sept. 8, 2020

General Election Nov. 3, 2020

Because of the pandemic, it is reasonable to anticipate that voters may feel apprehension about voting in person in the September 2020 Primary and November 2020 General Elections. The NH Secretary of the State's Office believes that voters should not have to choose between their health and exercising their constitutional right to vote. To enable all to vote safely, new pandemic related directives from the NH Secy. Of State have increased voting options to include both in-person registration and voting as well as an option to register and/or vote absentee by mail or drop-off.

1) If you are **currently registered** and have any concern about COVID-19 and your health and safety, you qualify to **vote absentee**. Just check the **disability box**  on the absentee ballot request form.

2) If you are a **new voter** with COVID concerns you can **register absentee as well as request an absentee ballot** using the same disability excuse.

Note: To avoid long lines at the polls due to social distancing requirements and to ensure that your forms and/or absentee ballot are received on time, **we recommend that you request forms/ballots and return them as early as possible**. Please note that in-person voting and registration are still options but we encourage the absentee option to make voting safe for those with health concerns. **Call the Town Clerk's Office (673-6041 X-208) to request a new voter/absentee ballot packet or to inquire about absentee ballots or scroll down to see more detailed instructions or check out this website: <https://sos.nh.gov/VotingEmergency.aspx>**

❖ **If you are currently registered and wish to secure an Absentee Ballot, there are new guidelines to accommodate the pandemic:**

It's important to note that the Secretary of State's Office has issued revised absentee ballot qualifications for the 2020 September Primary and November elections. **In order to enable people to safely vote in NH during the pandemic, those who wish to vote by mail due to concerns over COVID19 exposure, can qualify by checking the disability box to receive an absentee ballot. See the official announcement below.**

Absentee Ballots

1. Municipal Elections to be held in 2020

With respect to any upcoming municipal elections, we offer the following guidance as to who is eligible to vote by absentee ballot in light of the current public health crisis. As explained below, in light of the current public health state of emergency, Emergency Orders #16 and #26, and current public health guidance on social distancing and avoiding being in public in groups of 10 or more, all voters have a reasonable ground to conclude that a "physical disability" exists within the meaning of RSA 657:1. **Therefore, all voters may request an absentee ballot on that basis.**

You can request an absentee ballot through the Town Clerk and return it by mail, or physically return it to the outside window of the Town Clerk's office by 5:00 on the Monday before the Election or have your delivery agent drop it off at the polls before 5:00 pm on Election Day.



Polls Open 6:00AM–8:00PM

Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Souhegan High School

412 Boston Post Rd.

Amherst, NH

Recreation

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AMHERST RECREATION DEPARTMENT
4 Cross Rd, Amherst, NH 03031
603 673-6248

Peabody Mill Environmental Center
66 Brook Road
603 673-1141
www.amherstrec.org

For Adults



Mountain Bike Trip
njoy the some of the best mountain biking in the country while spending time with fellow riders both on and off the trail. Accommodations will be at the Kingdom Farm Lodge where you will be able to relax, shower, and clean/fix your bike after a long days ride.
October 2-4



Barre and Pilates
Keep up with your physical and mental health and well-being and Zoom Barre and Pilates classes with Shannon.
New Session Begins August 24th
Mondays from 6-7pm
Thursdays from 6-7pm
Saturdays from 9:30-10:30am



Beach Yoga
Strengthen and stretch in this class as you build your mind-body-spirit connection. The benefits of yoga and meditation include increased strength, flexibility and focus; and decreased stress and tension. This class includes gently flowing sun salutations, breath work, meditation and relaxation.
Saturdays 8-9am

Early Fall Recreation Programs

Soccer, Baseball, and School, oh my! It is a busy week coming up and we have plenty of opportunities to help you recreate, relax, and continue learning. Beach Yoga will have a NEW September Session and Homeschool Science Classes are now open for registration. Also, consider Outdoor Art Classes for ages 4-13 and the Compass of Writing for ages 11-14!



Full Moon Hike
Have you ever hiked in the woods at night without a flashlight? You will be amazed how well you can see in the full moonlight without one. Afterwards there will be hot coco or lemonade (depending on the season) around the fire, as well as stories to share. All ages and families welcome.



Outdoor Eco Classroom
This fall PMEC is excited to offer outdoor programs that will compliment remote, online, and in-person learning. Using curriculum from our field trip, the PMEC educators have developed programming that is in line with the current curriculum standards. Students can come to PMEC to learn about science, nature, animals in the environment, and much more.

For Kids



Creative Arts Outside
Join us for an outdoor creative arts class at Buck Meadow! We have classes for ages 4-13. Class will focus on watercolor paint exploration. This includes watercolor glue paintings/salt watercolor paintings and watercolor painting not on paper! All art materials are included and provided. All creations are brought home at the end of the class.



Homeschool Science Class - Fall Session
Welcome to Homeschool Science Class 2020! We are thrilled to be kicking off the Fall school year with an exciting Homeschool curriculum. This year PMEC will be offering science classes once a month beginning Tuesday, September 22nd. The structure for each session includes, one hour Education and one hour Play/Social Interaction. The classes will most often be divided by age during the first hour. Ages may combine for the second hour for gaga ball; Broom Hockey, Charades, Pictionary, and various group building games.
Ages 5yrs-7yrs & 8yrs-10yrs



Compass of Writing
Do you love to write? Are you working on the next best selling story, book, or play? Writing fiction or non-fiction is easy, fun, and so rewarding — both to the writer and the reader! Come learn the "compass" of good writing, with a touch of science! Ages 11-14

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Announcements

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AAUW Southern New Hampshire Branch News

Fall Kick-off Meeting – Wednesday, September 30

AMHERST – The Southern NH Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will hold their Fall Kick-off Meeting on Wednesday, September 30, beginning at 7 pm. The meeting will be held on Zoom. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about the organization and what it does from the comfort of your own home.

The meeting will include a brief overview of the goals of AAUW and the focus of the local branch followed by a review of the programs and activities being considered for 2020-21. These will include an update on the book group that meets monthly and a report from the Program Committee. The Gendered Workforce is the theme of their first program scheduled for Wednesday, October 21, at 7 pm. Dr. Monica Galizzi, the Chair of the Department of Economics and a Senior Associate of the Center for Women & Work at the University of Massachusetts Lowell will speak. The program will held on Zoom and be open to the public. The second and third programs in the series will focus on anti-racism and pay equity. When the COVID-19 concerns ease, social gatherings, field trips to see special exhibits at local museums, and attending theatrical performances will be considered.

Anyone interested in attending the branch meeting is asked to contact Membership Co-Chair Liz MacMillan at liz@macstewart.net for details. If interested in attending The Gendered Workforce program contact Program Co-Chair Johanna Tigert at johanna_tigert@uml.edu for details.

AAUW's mission is to advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. The Southern New Hampshire Branch provides scholarships for young women who are pursuing college degrees with the intent to follow STEM careers after graduation. This year's recipients were two young woman who graduated in June from Milford High School. Depending on fund raising, one or two graduates from Souhegan High School in 2021 will receive a scholarship.

AAUW is a non-partisan non-political organization that never endorses candidates or specific parties. The organization whose roots date back to the 1880s has two branches in NH. The Southern New Hampshire Branch, established in the 1970s, hosts a variety of programs concerning women's education and equity issues that are open to the public.

Members of the branch live in the following New Hampshire communities: Amherst, Dover, Exeter, Hanover, Hollis, Manchester, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, Nashua, and Wilton.

The Souhegan Valley Women's Social & Newcomers Club

(aka Amherst Area Newcomers Club), is a non-profit, social group for women. We are open to anyone, whether you are new to the area or have been here for years. Joining Newcomers is a way to meet other recent arrivals & long-time residents. You will have opportunities to participate in social, educational, & community activities. Annual dues are \$20.

We have monthly general events as well as 22 interest groups. Some of our interest groups are Book Groups, Bunco, Bible study, Charity, Crafts, Couples Group, Golf, Hiking, Game Night (Couples), Mah Jong, Movie Groups, Lunch Group, Poker, Mom/Grandma & Child Playgroup, 5K Walk/Run, & Pub Night. New interest groups are added yearly. We have some groups that meet at night & others during the day.

Our annual kickoff will be an outdoor event, on September 26, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Masks are required. If you would like to attend, email us at nhnewcomers@gmail.com for the address. For more information or to obtain a membership form, check out our website at nhnewcomers.com. Come join the fun!

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ENGAGEMENT



Beliveau – Genova

Michael Beliveau and Susan Buckley of Amherst, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Beliveau, to Andrew Genova, son of Toni Tortorella Genova and Paul Genova of Ridgewood, N.J.

The bride-to-be is a 2010 graduate of Souhegan High School. In 2014, Jessica received a bachelor's degree in International Studies and Foreign Languages, graduating cum laude, from Stonehill College in Easton, M.A. In 2017, she received her Master of Public Health degree in Maternal and Child Health from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in Chapel Hill, N.C. Jessica is currently a Project Manager for the child and adolescent health research portfolio at the Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy at Duke University in Durham, N.C.

The groom-to-be is a 2007 graduate of Ridgewood High School in Ridgewood, N.J. In 2011, Andrew received a bachelor's degree in Exercise Science, graduating magna cum laude, from Elon University in Elon, N.C. In 2014, he received his Doctor of Physical Therapy degree from Washington University in St. Louis in St. Louis, M.O. Andrew is currently the Clinic Director and Physical Therapist at Pivot Physical Therapy in Durham, N.C.

Jessica is the granddaughter of Lorraine Buckley and the late Eugene (Gene) Buckley of Contoocook, N.H., formerly of Saugus, M.A. She is also the granddaughter of Theresa Beliveau and the late Robert (Bob) Beliveau of Saugus, M.A.

Andrew is the grandson of Elaine Tortorella Rubano of Ridgewood, N.J., formerly of Brooklyn, N.Y., as well as the late Frank Rubano and Vincent Tortorella. He is also the grandson of the late Mary and Paul Genova of Cranford, N.J.

Jessica and Andrew met in Chapel Hill, N.C., in 2016. The couple is planning a May 2021 wedding in Wilmington, N.C. The couple resides in Hillsborough, N.C., with their dog, Tino.

Please send Engagement and Wedding announcements
to Editor: news@amherstcitizen.com

Attach a .jpg image file at least 480KB or larger
The Amherst Citizen, PO Box 291, Amherst, NH 03031.

Also, enclose a S.A.S.E. for return of color or B&W photos
if sending to us by U.S. Postal Service.

Groups

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Lisa Wise will speak at the Amherst Garden Club ZOOM meeting, October 1st.

Amherst Garden Club Presents:
Gardening in a Changing World

AMHERST – What impact does climate change have on plants and our gardens? Climate adaptation expert Lisa Wise will provide an overview of climate change and share actions we can take to both slow climate change and adapt to the impacts, with a focus on activities in our own gardens and backyards. You will learn about relevant resources and opportunities to engage in local community science and stewardship efforts.

Lisa Wise is the Climate Adaptation Program Manager with NH Sea Grant Extension. She works with New Hampshire communities to build awareness of and resilience to the impacts of a changing climate. Lisa works on projects with the NH Coastal Adaptation Workgroup, conducts programming with coastal communities, and is a member of the Upper Valley Adaptation Workgroup. Recent climate adaptation programming has focused on outreach to conservation commissions about how they can address climate change impacts on natural resources, a Climate in the Classroom program, public engagement in municipal planning related to climate, and more. Prior to joining Extension in January 2017, Lisa worked on projects with Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, the Great Bay 2020 partners, the National Estuarine Research Reserve System Science Collaborative, and Infrastructure and Climate Network (ICNet). She completed both her bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of New Hampshire, focused on environmental conservation studies and coastal ecosystem management.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the garden club has been meeting online. The meeting will take place Thursday, October 1 on Zoom. The business meeting will start at 9:15 am, followed by Lisa's presentation from 10:30-11:30. Contact the garden club at info@amherstgardenclub.org if you would like to attend any portion of the meeting.

Votes for Women: Two
Events to Honor Passage of
the 19th Amendment

AMHERST – This year is the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote. The Amherst Heritage Commission has planned two near-term town events for this special celebration.

Because the 19th amendment became the law of the land on August 26, 1920, we illuminated the Amherst Town Hall on Wednesday, August 26, 2020, from dusk to 12:00 midnight with the colors of the women's suffrage movement of purple and gold.

On Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 7:00PM, via ZOOM, the Amherst Heritage Commission and the Amherst Town Library will sponsor Liz Tentarelli, a well respected speaker on New Hampshire heritage, who will guide us on a journey on the long campaign for women's right to vote, from the 1848 Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, New York to ratification of the 19th amendment in 1920. Who were the key players in New Hampshire and the nation? What issues and obstacles did they face? How did suffragettes benefit from World War I in the final push for passage of the women's suffrage amendment? Who was left out when women got the right to vote? She will be using historic photos and documents that will enlighten all.



This presentation is part of the year long 100th Anniversary Celebration of the ratification and passage of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution. Please plan to log in and understand this struggle of "Forward Into Light". Any questions can be addressed to Will Ludt, Chair, Amherst Heritage Commission, 603-801-0507 or Sarah Leonardi, Amherst Town Library.



Cub Scout Pack 613 Welcoming
Boys and Girls!

Amherst / Mont Vernon Cub Scout Pack 613, a family pack welcoming both boys and girls, is looking for new members to grow our unit. If you have a son or daughter in K-5th grade who is interested in cub scouts, please join us to start your adventure! Does your child enjoy camping, hiking, fishing, community service, and racing cars? These are just some of the fun activities we have planned for the year. While the Scouts are having fun doing things they enjoy, they also learn new things, discover and master new skills, gain self-confidence, and develop strong friendships.

On Sept. 16 the leaders of Pack 613 will be holding a virtual information night for potential new families to ask questions and learn more about scouting in Amherst and Mont Vernon. RSVP for the event at <https://www.facebook.com/events/320421732398475> The online link will be shared only with the families who RSVP prior to the event. Registration can be done online at <https://beascout.scouting.org/list/?zip=03031&program%5B%5D=pack&unitID=320617> Please email us if you have any questions or would like more information Pack613General@gmail.com.



Bus Routes 2020–2021

Please from the list-links below for the most up-to-date bus route information for the 20-21 school year.

Bus routes are reviewed from time-to-time as we strive to best meet the transportation and safety needs of our students.

Contact Butler's Bus Service with any questions regarding bus concerns at 213-6401

Clark-Wilkins Schools
Mont Vernon Village School
AMS & SHS (Amherst & Mont Vernon)

HINT: Engage the FIND command, then enter the name of your street in the SEARCH window

Students in the News

Bryant University Class of 2020: Resilient. Innovative. Prepared for Success.

SMITHFIELD, RI (Bryant University is pleased to recognize the Class of 2020 who have completed their undergraduate studies to earn a Bryant University degree, one which has more value now than at any time in Bryant's history.

Hannah York of Amherst, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Applied Psychology.

Congrats to RIT's 2019–2020 Graduates!

ROCHESTER, NY - Rochester Institute of Technology conferred some 4,000 degrees at all of its campuses in the 2019-2020 academic year. A virtual celebration was held May 8. The following local residents received degrees:

Eric Kolb of Mont Vernon received a BS in chemical engineering.

Kathryn Osterholtz Named to Union College Dean's List

SCHENECTADY, NY - **Kathryn Osterholtz**, of Amherst was named to the 2020 Dean's List at Union College.

Osterholtz is a member of the Class of 2021 majoring in Anthropology. Comprised annually, the Union College Dean's List honors students who have a grade point average of 3.5 for the entire academic year and meet certain other requirements.

Local Residents Named to Simmons University Dean's List

BOSTON, Mass. - The following local residents were named to the 2020 spring semester dean's list at Simmons University in Boston.

Amherst: Ariana Infanti, Hailey Yabroudy, Gwyneth Bailey, Hailey Hull.

Mont Vernon: Kristin Meader.

To qualify for dean's list status, undergraduate students must obtain a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, based on 12 or more credit hours of work in classes using the letter grade system.

Local Students Named to

Dean's List at MCPHS University

BOSTON, Massachusetts-- MCPHS University is pleased to announce the students who have been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2020 semester:

Elizabeth Maloney is a native of Amherst and is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Premedical and Health Studies (Physician Assistant Studies). Elizabeth will graduate in 2020 from the Boston, Massachusetts campus.

Michael McKeen is a native of Amherst and is pursuing a Doctor of Pharmacy. Michael will graduate in 2025 from the Boston, Massachusetts campus.

Hannah Pike is a native of Amherst and is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Hannah will graduate in 2022 from the Boston, Massachusetts campus.

The Dean's List recognizes those students with a full-time course load who have achieved outstanding scholarship with a 3.5 GPA or higher for the academic term.

Local Residents Receive Degree from Simmons University

BOSTON, Mass. - The following local student recently received a degree from Simmons University in Boston.

Gwyneth Bailey, of Amherst earned a Bachelor of Science in Neuroscience & Behavior magna cum laude.

Local Students Named to Dean's List at Loyola University Maryland

BALTIMORE, MD - Loyola University Maryland has announced the members of its spring 2020 Dean's List. In order to qualify for the Dean's List at Loyola, a student must achieve a minimum QPA of at least 3.500 for the term, provided that, in the term they have successfully completed courses totaling a minimum of 15 credits.

Erin Quinlan of Mont Vernon

Roger Williams University

Announces Spring 2020 Graduates

BRISTOL, RI -The following local residents were among the students who received their degrees in May as part of the Class of 2020:

Cora Thibeault of Amherst graduated Cum Laude with a B.A. in Psychology in May as part of the Class of 2020.

Students Graduate from Bates College

LEWISTON - Bates College graduated 463 students from 37 states and 52 countries on May 31, 2020. Cumulatively, the Class of 2020 performed 80,000 hours of community service, exemplifying Bates' commitment to community learning and civic action.

Alex Cullen of Amherst graduated after majoring in environmental studies and English and minoring in Spanish. Cullen, the child of Brian J. Cullen and June L. Schmunk of Amherst is a 2016 graduate of Souhegan High School.

Students Named to Dean's List at Bates College

LEWISTON, ME - The following students have been named to the dean's list at Bates College for the winter semester ending in April 2020. This is a distinction earned by students whose cumulative grade point average is 3.8 or higher.

Alex Cullen of Amherst, N.H.. Cullen, the child of Brian J. Cullen and June L. Schmunk of Amherst, N.H., is a 2016 graduate of Souhegan High School. Alex is majoring in environmental studies and English and minoring in Spanish at Bates.

Elise Lambert of Amherst, N.H.. Lambert, the child of Brian A. Lambert of Manchester, N.H., and Lisa A. Lambert of Amherst, N.H., is a 2018 graduate of Souhegan High School. Elise is majoring in politics and minoring in Spanish at Bates.

Els Caulo of Amherst, N.H.. Caulo, the child of Peter J. Caulo and Elizabeth G. Caulo of Amherst, N.H., is a 2017 graduate of Brooks School. Els is majoring in sociology and minoring in anthropology and Asian studies at Bates.

University of Maine Announces Spring 2020 Dean's List

The University of Maine recognized 4,210 students for achieving Dean's List honors in the Spring 2020 semester. Of the students who made the Dean's List, 2,769 are from Maine, 1,333 are from 41 other states and 108 are from 43

countries other than the U.S.

From Amherst: Liam King.



Sports

SEPTEMBER 2020

NHIAA Approves Return to Play Guidance for Fall Sports

CONCORD – The NHIAA Council, comprised of Principals, Athletic Directors, Superintendents, Coaches, and a State School Board Member, met this morning and took action on the following items:

1. While the Council and the NHIAA do not decide if sports are offered, they did unanimously reaffirm the recognition of all the fall sports for the 2020-2021 school year.
2. By unanimous consent, the Council approved NHIAA Return to Play Guidance document (Click here to view). New to this document was a third phase which includes practices, training sessions, competitions, games, and tournaments/jamborees. Guidelines vetted and approved by Governor Sununu's Economic Re-Opening Task Force and the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services provided the foundation upon which the NHIAA's recommendations are based.
3. Finally, the Council approved a delay to the start of fall sports. All fall sports will be permitted to begin practices on Tuesday, September 8th. Decisions on the first date to play contests will be forthcoming.

We recognize that returning to interscholastic competition this fall will be individual school decisions. We hope, however, that the guidelines provided by the state of New Hampshire, the NHIAA, and the actions taken thus far by the NHIAA Council will help schools and districts make informed decisions about what is best for their student-athletes this coming fall.

Souhegan High School

Fall Athletics

All Fall sports will begin first practices on September 8th. Details concerning individual sports will be available soon. Paperwork must be turned in to Athletics before attendance at first practice. Links to all forms are [accessible with this link](#).

There are **Paperwork Drop Off** envelopes located on the entry door to the main building (annex side) and on the bulletin board outside the athletic office. The forms can also be mailed to SHS PO Box 1152 Amherst 03031 or scanned to ppaul@sprise.com.

We are very excited to get the season rolling -- please make a commitment to yourself and your team to follow all safety protocols and to start the season right by getting our forms submitted. Go Saber Nation!

Souhegan student athletes have entered phase Two of the return to practice protocols.

Team	Day and Time	Site	Coach
B Soccer	Mon, Wed, Fri 5:30-7:30 PM	grass pitch	dsaxe@sprise.com
Cross Country	Tues&Fri 7:30 -9:00 AM	back fields	glwilson081@comcast.net
Fall Spirit	Mon&Wed 6:00-7:00 PM	front field	jbelt@sprise.com
Football	Mon&Wed 6:00-7:00 PM	turf	rbowkett@sprise.com
Field Hockey	Tuesday 9:00-11:00 AM	turf	kbraley@sprise.com
G Basketball	Mon&Thurs 6:30-7:30 PM	behind gym	mvetack@gmail.com
G Soccer	Friday 9:00-11:00 AM	turf/pitch	shansberry@sau39.org



Mont Vernon

SEPTEMBER 2020

Story and A Stroll

We're taking Storytime outside for September! Miss JoAnn is inviting all 0-5 year olds to meet for read aloud stories in the backyard of the library and then take the children for a stroll in the historic district. Registration required. Call 673-7888 or email dalandlibrary@comcast.net to sign the kids up. 4 week session begins Thursday, September 3rd. Get your walking shoes on and stroll with us!

Junior Book Clubs Zoom Edition

Miss JoAnn is moving all her After School Book Clubs to ZOOM! Sign up to read awesome books and do fun crafts! What group are you in? Eager Readers: Grade 1-2, Bonkers for Books: Grade 3-4, Page Turners : Grade 5-6? She even has a Teen Group. Registration opens Sept. 1st. Space is limited to 10 children per book club. Call the library at 673-7888 to sign up!

Black Books Matter

The Black Lives Matter movement has increased the interest in books by black authors. This newly created book club will explore fiction and non fiction titles that are authored by black writers. The group will meet the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30pm by Zoom. Our first selection is the award winning "Nickel Boys" by Colson Whitehead and will meet on Thursday, October 8th. In the spirit of supporting black authors, we ask that you purchase a copy of this book for our first meeting. We hope that Inter Library Loan services will resume in September which will allow us to borrow multiple copies of this and future titles. The library does have one copy available and it is available on NH Overdrive with your library card. Registration recommended. Call the library at 673-7888 to sign up. The Zoom meeting invitation will be posted on the library website closer to the meeting date.

The Morning Book Discussion Group

The Morning Book Discussion Group meets the first Monday of the month at 10:00am to discuss a previously chosen title. Due to the holiday, the group will meet on Monday, Sept. 14th at 10:00am by Zoom to discuss Eliza Hamilton by Tilar J. Mazzeo. Please look on the library website Zoom invitation link. For more information call the library at 673-7888.

Tiny Town Library Podcast

The library just published another episode of Tiny Town Library Podcast. Find us on iTunes and Spotify and subscribe. Tune in for a slice of life in a small New England town as reported by the town librarians. Podcast includes town news, community updates, book recommendations, and guest interviews. Subscribe today!

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PopUp Storytime with Miss JoAnn - A World of Kindness



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