Deliberative & Voting Day Deferred

AMHERST – New Hampshire Governor Sununu’s Emergency Order #83 has authorized town and school district officials to postpone Deliberative Sessions and Election Days from February and March to May and June. The time and specific location of deliberative sessions will be posted at least 14 days prior. Elections and Town Meetings will be scheduled for June 8th at Souhegan High School for Amherst, and the Village School in Mont Vernon. The Amherst Citizen will be publishing information in this and upcoming editions (file photo ©Amherst Citizen, Feb. 8, 2016).

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These two projects were the result of nearly three years of work by the Joint Facilities Advisory Committee (JFAC). Made up of myriad community members, board members, and administration, the committee spent countless hours researching the history of our buildings, the current issues we face, and what our future needs are going to be. With their research complete and presented to the board, we asked for and approved a $160,000 fund to hire an architectural consultant to come up with solutions (with projected costs) for these schools. These two building projects are the results of this cumulative work.

After listening to presentations by JFAC in the fall of 2020, these two school projects were approved by the school board for the 2021 ballot. Over the following months, the board worked with JFAC to get ready for public hearing, deliberative, and voting day.

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Children’s Programming at the Amherst Town Library

FEBRUARY SHARKS & RAYS VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP
TAKE A TRIP WITH US TO THE SEACOAST SCIENCE CENTER via ZOOM

Thursday, February 18th - 4:00-4:45pm.
Join us via ZOOM for a field trip to the Seacoast Science Center!

Sharks are one of Earth’s most amazing and dynamic fish. In this program, students will learn about shark anatomy, behavior, and their acute senses that make them one of the ocean’s greatest predators. Students will observe live sharks and rays in the Seacoast Science Center’s Close Encounters tank. This is a FUN, interactive program designed to be enjoyed from the comfort of your home where kids will be able to ask questions throughout the presentation. For Kids ages 5 and up. Click to Register.

ZOOM FAMILY STORYTIME
Tuesdays at 10:00am, February 2 - February 16
Come join Miss Sarah and Princess Lovely for a fun-filled family program!
For ages 3-6, younger siblings are always welcome.
Registration is required. An email with the ZOOM link and a materials list for the craft will be sent before each program. Link to registration.

ZOOM MINECRAFT CLUB
Tuesdays from 3:45 - 4:45pm, February 2 - February 16
Come and join Miss Sarah for ZOOM Minecraft Club on Tuesday afternoons!
As always, there will be a CHALLENGE—Miss Sarah will have a new challenge for you at the beginning of each meeting. You will need a device that can run the ZOOM program.
Registration is required. An email with the ZOOM link will be sent before each program. Link to registration.

ZOOM BOOK CLUBS:
Great Stone Face Reviewers Club
The Great Stone Face Award is a statewide reading list for kids in grades 4-6. Our club reads from a master list of the newest middle-grade fiction and comes to meetings prepared to evaluate these books for possible inclusion on next year’s Great Stone Face List. We learn book-review skills, to stand up in front of a group to give our opinions, and we always have a lot of fun!

For kids in grades 5 and 6
Meets the first Thursday of the month at 6:30pm. Next Meeting Dates: February 4 & March 4
Information and registration available here.

More Library Programs at:
www.amherstcitizen.com/library.html
It Takes Two: The Story of Couples in Art  
Thursday, February 11, 2021 • 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM  
virtual program via zoom

We associate love poetry with Valentine's Day, but art history has its share of couples, too. You'll see couples from all periods of art, particularly those sharing kisses that never end in a painting or work of sculpture. This program is a lighthearted look at relationships that were immortalized in ways that a greeting card just can't express.

After many years of teaching classical languages, philosophy, and the history of ideas at Souhegan High School, presenter Nancy Baker now spends her time volunteering. She is immediate past Executive Chair of the Guild of Volunteers at the Currier Museum of Art and is an active docent there. Nancy gives talks on art, language and the history of ideas at the Currier, libraries, senior living enrichment programs, and community groups in the greater area. She is Chairman of the Amherst Library Board of Trustees and is an enthusiastic supporter of the role of the free library in communities.

Please register with a valid email address. Login information will be emailed prior to the program. This program will be recorded.

Winter Pantry- Soul Warming Recipes from your Pantry with Liz Barbour  
Wednesday, February 17, 2021 • 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM  
virtual program via zoom

Whether you are a seasoned cook or complete novice, creating a meal from what you’ve got on hand is always a challenge. Join Liz for this fun and tasty winter themed class. Liz will share her tips to help you create a winter pantry that will inspire you to be creative with what you’ve got to create soul warming recipes without leaving the house. Following her discussion, Liz will demonstrate 2 pantry recipes anyone can cook at home.

Liz Barbour has been cooking professionally in the Boston area since 1992 and started The Creative Feast in 2004. Liz’s cooking demonstrations and recipes have been featured on New Hampshire Chronicle, Channel 9’s ‘Cooks Corner’ and in various publications including New Hampshire Magazine. In 2017 Liz published her first cookbook ‘Beautifully Delicious: Cooking with Herbs & Edible Flowers’.

This program will NOT be recorded.

*Registration for this program is different than our other programs.*

You must register in advance using the following link. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUlfuihpjojH9V9a3FaVuplX0788Ttiokci

A Libertarian Walks into a Bear  
Tuesday, February 23, 2021 • 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM  
virtual program via zoom

Once upon a time, a group of libertarians got together and hatched one of the most ambitious social experiments in modern American history—the Free Town Project: a plan to takeover an American town and completely eliminate its government. In 2004, they set their sights on Grafton, NH, a flyspeck town with only one paved road, buried in the woods of New Hampshire’s western fringe. When freedom-focused libertarians across the US—from as far as California to as near as Massachusetts—descended on Grafton, state and federal laws became meek suggestions. Soon the wilderness-thick town lost public funding for pretty much everything: fire dept, the schoolhouse, library, and perhaps most importantly wildlife services. As the people were ignoring laws and regulations on hunting and food disposal, their newly formed off-the-grid tent city caught the attention of some unruly neighbors: the bears.

Join journalist/author Matthew Hongoltz-Hetling as he shares his path to uncovering the truth behind this fantastical tale of bear vs. libertarian.
Winter Recreation Programs

Register now for the programs that interest you! Video shows how easy it is to select, register and check out.

For Kids

February Vacation Camp
February School Vacation will be here before you know it! What better way to spend it then take part in a fun-filled week at camp. This camp will be based around the beauty of outdoors and nature that PMEC has to offer! Each day there will be outdoor exploration, snow play, nature hikes, group games, and of course...arts and crafts!
February Vacation Camp- CLICK HERE

Summer Camp 2021
Summer Camp 2021 is Open for Registration!
Baboosic Lake Summer Camp
Outdoor Discovery Summer Camp

Cheerleading
Spring cheer is for kids who want to learn more about cheer as well as current cheerleaders. Teams will learn a routine that incorporates dance, partner stunts, tumbling, and more!
Cheerleading- CLICK HERE

Home School Science
Welcome to Home School Science Class 2020! We are thrilled to be kicking off the Fall school year with an exciting Home School curriculum. The structure for each session includes, one hour Education and one hour Play/Social Interaction.
Home School Science- CLICK HERE

Amherst Rec Lacrosse
Amherst Recreation is excited to be teaming up with Amherst Lacrosse Club to offer Lacrosse to both boys and girls in the Souhegan Valley Region. Our goal is to teach athletes the fundamentals of Lacrosse in both practices and games. If it’s not FUN, why play?
Lacrosse- CLICK HERE

Baseball
Batter up! Babe Ruth League Baseball is open for players 5-15 years old. Early Bird Deadline is February 10th!
Baseball- CLICK HERE

Softball
Come join girls ages 5-12 on the softball diamond! Early Bird Deadline is February 10th!
Softball- CLICK HERE

For Adults

Community Garden
Garden plots will be allotted on a first come, first served basis with a nominal fee to cover maintenance and utilities. Each gardener is free to select their favorite vegetable varieties and lay out their plot accordingly.
Community Garden- CLICK HERE

Strength & Power
Group Exercise Classes
New in January... In Person and Online
Mondays 6-7pm- Pilates Strength
Tuesdays 9-10am- Pilates Mat
Wednesdays 6-7pm- Power Barre
Thursdays 6-7pm- Yoga Sculpt
Saturdays 9:30-10:30am- 20/20/20
Group Exercise Classes- CLICK HERE

Senior Walking Program
Join others in the community to stay active all winter with daily walks at the Hampshire Dome
Who: ages 70+ for free
Where: Hampshire Dome
When: Tuesdays-Fridays, 10am-1pm beginning December 1st
Senior Walking Program- CLICK HERE

XC Ski Clinics
XC Ski Clinics available for beginners and intermediate skiers. The coaching staff of the Souhegan High School Nordic Team will teach you how to be more comfortable on your skis and proper techniques.
XC Ski Clinics- CLICK HERE

Yoga for Adults & Teens
This class includes gently flowing yoga poses, breath work, meditation and relaxation. Letting our breath lead our movements, we move gently through yoga poses as we strengthen, stretch and tone our body and mind!
Yoga- CLICK HERE

Forest Bathing & Meditation
Forest bathing is the practice of immersing yourself in nature in a mindful way, using your senses to derive a whole range of benefits for your physical, mental, emotional, and social health.
Meditation- CLICK HERE

Family Fun

Amherst to Amherst Challenge
Amherst New Hampshire; Amherst New York; and Amherst Nova Scotia have challenged each other to see which community can walk the furthest in February. Amherst to Amherst- CLICK HERE

Night Hike
Let’s have some fun and help out our feather friends! Come make a bird feeder to feed our feather friends this winter. After finishing the feeder we will then venture out on a full moon hike to place the feeder out in the woods along the trails. After the hike stay and warm up by a campfire with some hot cocoa and campfire stories.
Night Hike- CLICK HERE

Baboosic Lake Season Pass
For those who are already tired of cold weather, get a jump start on your summer buy buying your Baboosic Lake Beach Pass.
Baboosic Lake Season Pass- CLICK HERE
Deliberative and Town Election dates postponed from February and March to May and June.

**POSTED: JANUARY 27, 2021 - 11:41AM**

Pursuant to the NH Governor's Emergency Order #83, the Amherst Board of Selectmen have postponed the Amherst Deliberative Session and Town Elections.

The Deliberative Session previously scheduled for Wednesday February 3, 2021, has been moved to Wednesday May 5, 2021. The Town Election previously scheduled for Tuesday March 9, 2021, has been moved to Tuesday June 8, 2021.

**SURVEY DIRECT LINK:**
Master Plan for Amherst has been completed and prepared into a 248 page document.

https://www.amherstnh.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlif416/uploads/envision_amherst_-_final_survey_results_including_open-response_-_2021-01-25.pdf?fbclid=IwAR1tY9GHoFpUzSPfdRI03owp-N4xHpwz0m-JdSibeQLJCaBk_IcmHpw6XQg

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**AAUW Southern NH Branch News**

**2021 Amherst Candidates Night to be Announced**

The Southern New Hampshire Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will move the date for the Ninth Annual Amherst Candidates Night to an undetermined new date since election day has been postponed to Tuesday, June 8, 2021.

Per Emergency Order #83 from the NH Governor each town may change their dates due to COVID-19 concerns. The town and the schools have all agreed to this change.

The filing period for both town and school offices ended Friday, January 29th.

Questions about the event contact Liz Overholt at liz@theoverholts.net or 673-5171.

AAUW is a non-partisan non-political organization that never endorses candidates or specific parties.

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**Challenge Among Three Amherst Towns**

**AMHERST** – The Rec Dept is teaming up with Amherst Nova Scotia and Amherst New York for a friendly competition to see which Amherst can log the most miles on walks and runs throughout the month of February. We have a Facebook event that will be highlighting fun facts about each of the 3 towns along with a map to see if we can collectively log enough miles to reach Amhersts throughout North America (totaling over 4,000 miles). Below are links to our Facebook event page and Strava group that Amherst NH residents can join to help log their miles. For more information, please call 603-673-6248.

Facebook Event • Strava Group • Amherst Rec Webpage
In 2019, the Davenport House Museum in Savannah, Georgia, brought a 19th-century hair album to the Northeast Document Conservation Center for assessment, conservation, and digitization. The Sarah Davenport scrapbook contained an unusual surprise: locks of human hair, some 200 years old, that Sarah had collected from her family and tied to the pages of the text block using silk. This project proved to be an interesting conservation challenge!

Join the Historical Society of Amherst and NEDCC’s Mary French to learn the fascinating story of the Davenport hair album, and the suite of techniques experts used to preserve this irreplaceable snapshot of American history.

Victorian hair albums were often assembled using locks of hair from living friends and family and more closely relate to the concept of an album amicorum or friendship album. Friends exchanged locks of hair as a token of affection or sometimes remembrance if a friend was moving far away and it was unlikely that they would ever see each other again. The locks of hair were styled according to the abilities of the album creator, ranging from simple bunches tied together with string or ribbon to elaborate braided and looped creations. Asking one’s friends for a lock of hair seems almost unimaginable now, but in a time before the invention of photography, a piece of hair was the only tangible way to remember someone.

Thanks to NEDCC’s conservation efforts, those most personal memories live on after more than two centuries!

Join Our Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82388349053...
Meeting ID: 823 8834 9053
Passcode: 139130
Or Dial in by location
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)
Beaver Brook Holds First Online Auction:

In a creative response to the pandemic, Beaver Brook Association is launching its first Winter Online Auction, set for Feb 12th-21st. Funds from the online event will support Beaver Brook’s mission of high-quality outdoor education, land protection and environmental awareness. With over one hundred items being offered to the wider community, there is something for everyone.

In addition to more than 30 gift cards from local establishments, the auction features one-of-a-kind offerings from Beaver Brook staff including guided family hikes and a private map and compass course for a group. Creativity abounds with original paintings and photographs by local artists. Local stone mason Wes Toms has crafted a large piece of Bluestone in the shape of New Hampshire for the occasion. There are also vintage Beaver Brook trail signs and an antique apple cider press, cords of firewood from Beaver Brook trees (sustainably cut in their forest management practice), and jars of maple syrup from their own Hollis trees.

The online auction empowers the organization to fundraise in the absence of traditional fundraising and community events like its Fall Festival and Annual Dinner and to continue to celebrate local artists, photographers, businesses, artisans and other creative individuals.

"During the time of the pandemic, the auction committee wondered how many businesses we should ask for donations, knowing many would be hard-hit," said trustee Anna Birch. "So we turned to our own community of trustees and members, who helped us develop a “Help a Small Business and Help Beaver Brook” campaign. Our trustees, staff and members generously bought dozens of gift cards from their favorite local establishments and donated them to the auction. They’re for great local venues like Forge & Vine, Riverwalk Café, Michael Timothy’s, Lull Farm, and many more."

The online auction includes two special features, a raffle and a “Fund a Need” donation option. Being raffled off is a “Solo Stove,” an innovative, portable, low-smoke fire pit. Tickets are $10 and can also be purchased on the auction site. “Fund a need” is a way to contribute specifically to equipment and maintenance costs, trail work, the Maple Hill gardens, educational scholarships and the like.

Like many private non-profits this year, Beaver Brook has seen reduced revenue with the cancellation of traditional summer camps and field trips to their outdoor classroom. However, Beaver Brook has been creative in their offerings, adapting many of their programs and hosting unique outdoor events like their “Music in the Gardens” in which they partnered with Symphony NH.

walsh – mahoney

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Walsh of Amherst are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Colleen Catherine Walsh to Dennis John Mahoney, son of Diane and Robert Mahoney of Rockland, MA. Ms. Walsh is a 2012 graduate of Souhegan High School and a 2016 graduate of George Mason University (VA) where she earned a bachelor of science degree in Nursing. She is currently employed as a Cardiac Nurse for Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston, MA.

Mr. Mahoney is a 2011 graduate of Rockland High School (MA), and a 2016 graduate of Bridgewater State University (MA) where he earned a bachelor of science degree in Psychology. He is currently employed as a Key Account Manager with Cardinal Health in Boston, MA.

A September wedding in Maine is planned.

“Beaver Brook hopes that the community will support this important effort”, said Beaver Brook Executive Director Thom Davies. “We’ve heard from many in the community that the Beaver Brook trail system, gardens and safe outdoor educational offerings have been incredibly appreciated and utilized this year. We’ve had record numbers of people enjoying our trails.”

Beaver Brook’s generous sponsors for the online event include NHOMS, Wilkins Lumber Company, Tulley Automotive Group, Admiralty Chimney, Merrimack Valley Business Machines, Control Air, Hollis Veterinary Hospital, Lull Farm, Alex’s Shoes and Family Sponsors Russell & Amy Kellner, Kim & Ginny Kellner & the May/Kuchta family.

Please visit their website at www.BeaverBrook.org to get the link to the auction. The site can be previewed until Friday February 12th, when it goes live and will remain open until Sunday February 21st. All gift cards will be mailed to winners. Physical item “pick up” will take place in the Spear Room (in a physically distanced setting where you can walk up to the outside door to collect items) on Mon Feb 22nd & Web Feb 24th at the BBA Office, Maple Hill Farm, 117 Ridge Road in Hollis.
Frank J. Weber

AMHERST – Frank J. Weber, 89, resident of Amherst, NH died on January 10, 2021 at St. Joseph’s Hospital, Nashua, NH. He was born in Jamaica, NY on November 22, 1931, a son of Frank S. and Anna (Hitcherich) Weber. He was raised and educated in Indianapolis. Mr. Weber made his home in Amherst for the past 45 years and formerly lived in New Jersey. He earned his Bachelor’s degree in Physics from Purdue University and his Master’s degree from New Jersey Institute of Technology in Electrical Engineering.

Mr. Weber had been employed as Executive Vice President for Merrimac Industries, West Caldwell, NJ for many years. He was also employed as Eastern Regional Sales Manager at Anzac Division of Adams Russell in Waltham, MA and Director of Engineering for Tech Resources Inc. of Milford, NH.

He enjoyed woodworking, gardening and photographing lighthouses. In addition, he was a member of Ash Street Photography Group, Hooksett, NH, the Milford Rotary Club and a communicant of St. Patrick’s Church, Milford.

Mr. Weber was a U.S. Marine Corp veteran of the Korean War and was honorably discharged in 1951 with the rank of Corporal.

He was predeceased by his brother, Edward M. Weber; and his former wife, Lois (Witte) Weber.

Family members include his wife of 29 years, Nora V. (Gionfriddo) Weber of Amherst, NH; three daughters, Mary Ellen Compagna and her husband, Andre Compagna, Jr. of New Boston, NH, Kathleen Weber of Nashua, NH; a son and daughter-in-law, Stephen and Catherine Weber of East Greenwich, RI; seven grandchildren, Joseph Compagna, Michael and LeAnna Compagna all of VT, Nicholas and Chelsea San Martino, Henry Weber, and Elizabeth Weber all of RI, Marie and Michael Martelli, Bethanie and Daniel Grenier all of ME; and eight great grandchildren. He is also survived by four stepchildren: Thomas and Antoinette Karadenes, Deanne and Thomas Miranda, and Nancy Karadenes of Long Island and John and Karen Karadenes of Saratoga Springs, NY and five step grandchildren; Alexa, Emma, Kayla, Christopher and Brendan Karadenes.

Funeral services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to The Plus Company, 19 Chestnut Street, Nashua, NH 03060. 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

Joanne Crane Head

PETERBOROUGH – Joanne C. Head, 90, resident of Peterborough, NH died January 1, 2021 at her home.

She was born in Buffalo, NY on September 28, 1930, a daughter of Louis S. and Ruth Crane. Joanne was raised and educated in New York and graduated from Connecticut College for Women and earned her Master's degree from Antioch College.

Before moving to Peterborough she had lived in Amherst, NH for many years. Joanne was a New Hampshire State Representative from 1977 -1985 and served on several committees, including the Committee on Labor, Human Resources & Rehabilitation, Appropriations and Health & Welfare. She was chairman of the Hillsborough County Republican Committee from 1986-1989. Joanne was a member of the NH Medical Malpractice JUA, Milford Area AAUW, Milford Area League of Women Voters, and the Amherst Republican Women's Club. In addition, while living in New York, she received the Theodore Roosevelt Award in 1968, which recognizes individuals for their outstanding voluntary contributions at community hospitals throughout Long Island.

She was an avid skier & tennis player and loved to reminisce about her ballet dancing and singing in her younger years.

Joanne was predeceased by her husband of 70 years, Thomas F. Head III, who died in 2019.

Family members include her son and daughter-in-law, Thomas F. Head IV and Joanne B. Head of Amherst, NH; her grandson, Thomas F. Head V and his wife, Ashley J. Head of Brookline, NH; two great grandchildren, Caden T. Head and Courtney A. Head; and her sister, Joy Thornton-Walter of Champaign, IL.

A celebration of her life will be held privately at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to the charity of one’s choice. 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

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James E. Heald

MILFORD – James E. Heald, 89, lifelong resident of Milford, NH, died on January 16, 2021 at his home.

He was born in Nashua, NH on January 21, 1931, a son of Hermann L. and Mary A. (Broughton) Heald. He was raised and educated in Milford and graduated from Milford High School, Class of 1949.

Throughout high school, he was Captain of the Cross Country and Track Team. Jim enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1951 and was engaged in active ground combat on the frontlines in Korea as an anti-tank assault infantryman serving with Eddy Company, 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division. He later served as the liaison to the 293rd Quarter Master Graves Registration Company at the 8th Army base in Yong Dong Po, South Korea, where he worked identifying and fingerprinting American soldiers and allied forces killed in Korea. Jim also participated in the search and recovery missions of those fallen soldiers.

In remembering his service, Jim often reflected upon the mission to recover the bodies of forty Marines, returning from R&R who were killed when their plane crashed into the side of a mountain. Jim’s experience in the Marine Corps played a very important role in his life. It taught him the value of discipline, teamwork, and investing in a cause larger than himself. He earned the rank of Sergeant and was honorably discharged in 1953.

He returned to the States in 1953 and continued his education at New England Institute of Anatomy, Sanitary Science and Embalming in Boston, MA, and graduated with honors in 1955. He began his career in funeral service with Leon C. Tucker, and L. Paul Ecklund Funeral Homes and later was associated with Boutwell Mortuary, Concord, NH.

Jim went to work for John T. Smith & Son Funeral Home in Milford, NH and in 1960, he formed a partnership with L. Keeley Smith and the name was changed to Smith & Heald Funeral Home. In 1972, his brother, Richard B. Heald, joined him at the funeral home.

Jim was a former member of the New Hampshire Funeral Directors Association, National Funeral Directors Association, Associated Funeral Directors Association and the Order of the Golden Rule. He retired in 1995 and the business is currently owned and operated by his two daughters, Deborah Quinlan and Gretchen Heald-Brooks, and his grandson, Patrick Brooks.

He served as treasurer of the former Souhegan Nursing Association and New Hampshire Funeral Directors Association. In addition, he was a member of the Harley Sanford Post #4388 VFW, Ricciardi Hartshorn Post #23 American Legion, Custos Morum Lodge – IOOF and former member of the Milford Lions Club. He was a life member of the 1st Marine Division. Jim was co-chair of the thought, planning and completion of the Korean War Memorial located on Elm Street, Milford. He had a strong faith and at the time of his death, was a longtime member of the First Congregational Church of Milford where he taught Sunday School, served as a deacon and on the Investment Committee.

He was honored to have served the families in Milford and the surrounding towns throughout his years both in funeral service and as a charter member of the Milford Ambulance Service.

Jim was a man of faith, who loved his family, his country and the USMC. He was predeceased by two brothers, Richard B. Heald and John A. Heald; two sisters, Suzanne Floris and Mary Lou Cassarino.

Family members include his high school sweetheart and wife with whom he would have celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary on January 20th, Kathryn L. (Howe) Heald of Milford, seven children and their spouses, Thomas and Carol Heald of Strafford, NH, Deborah and Michael Quinlan of Bedford, NH, Laurie and Mario Palermi of Shoreview, MN, Susan and Joseph Pestana of Bedford, NH, David and Sheila Heald of Manchester, NH, Gretchen Heald-Brooks and Jeffrey Brooks of Milford, NH, Jonathan and Kristen Heald of Bedford, NH; Lovingly known as Bup to his 19 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren, whom he was so proud of; also survived by six sisters-in-law and two brothers-in-law; many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours are on Thursday, January 21st from 2:00-4:00 pm in the Smith & Heald Funeral Home, 63 Elm Street, Milford. Funeral services are private. Burial with military honors will be in Riverside Cemetery, Milford. Those attending are 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 The First Congregational Church of Milford, P.O. Box 188, Milford, NH 03055. Arrangements are in the care of his daughters. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please go to www.smith-heald.com

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SHS Students Selected to NH All-State Festival

AMHERST – The following students were selected to represent Souhegan High School at the NH All-State festival and Conference which will be held virtually in April 2021. These students submitted audition videos and were chosen based on their performance.

Zachary Cotter, SHS Senior was selected on Euphonium to the NH All-State Concert Band. This is Zach’s second year representing SHS as an all-state musician.

Andrew Coleman, SHS Sophomore was selected on Trombone to the NH All-State Concert Band. Isabella VanBibber, SHS Freshman was selected on Voice to the NH All-State Choir.

NH will be offering a virtual all-state festival complete with a virtual performance element, instrument sectionals, rehearsals and masterclasses. Approximately twelve hundred student musicians from throughout New Hampshire audition for all-state annually. Again, congratulations to Zach, Andrew and Isabella.

The Present & Future of Amherst’s Schools

SAU39 – AMHERST, NH
Joint Facilities Advisory Committee

AMHERST – The SAU 39 Joint Facilities Advisory Committee was appointed and tasked by the SAU 39 school board with conducting an analysis of the state of public education facilities in Amherst. The committee worked to provide recommendations to the governing bodies (SCSB, ASB) regarding the interim and long-term facilities needs of the public-school facilities in Amherst, taking into account educational outcomes and how to best level the cost impact to residents in an efficient manner.

The Committee engaged with the architectural firm of Lavallee Brensinger to conduct an architectural and engineering analysis of the buildings in the Amherst School District. The findings and recommendations of the committee are found on this website.

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Architect’s rendering of proposed Clark-Wilkins Elementary School

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SAU #39: Steven Chamberlin Appointed as Assistant Superintendent Effective July 1st

AMHERST & MONT VERNON – Steven Chamberlin, Superintendent of the Hopkinton School District, has been appointed to the role of assistant superintendent effective July 1, 2021. Chamberlin has been with the Hopkinton School District for 22 years in various administrative roles including assistant principal, principal, and as the superintendent of schools for the past 12 years. Mr. Chamberlin joins existing Assistant Superintendent Christine Landwehrle as the 2nd assistant superintendent and will primarily focus on the secondary schools.

SAU #39:

Steven Chamberlin has made care the calling card during his tenure. In fact, years ago when I was thinking about being a superintendent, he spoke at a conference and was influential in my decision to seek out a role as a superintendent. Since that time, I have reached out to him for advice and counsel. Being able to hire someone of his caliber to join our team is an honor and will be a boon for the students in our schools. Steven's passion for finding success for every student is inspiring. In addition, he has experience, knowledge, and skills that I simply do not possess and will play a vital role for our team. Put short, I am blessed to add Steve to the team.

Steven Chamberlin on his appointment:

"I am humbled and excited to be joining the SAU 39 team. I look forward to focusing on key aspects of learning - instruction, curriculum and assessment in this new role. It will be a privilege to get to know the SAU 09 community and learn from wonderful educators."

Jim O'Brien, Chair of the Hopkinton School Board on Steven’s departure after 22 years:

"For two decades, Steve Chamberlin has made care the calling card of the Hopkinton School District. Countless lives have been benefitted from Steve’s dedication to a mission that places the well-being of every child at the heart of the District’s education system - a philosophy and practice that vaulted Hopkinton to being among the highest performing school districts in the state. While we are sad to see Steve depart, the Hopkinton community will continue to be forever grateful for his many years of exceptional service and unwavering commitment to our community. We are proud that Steve’s leadership, and purpose that Steve brought to Hopkinton schools will continue to profoundly impact the lives of children right here in New Hampshire."

Shannon Hargreaves, Souhegan High School Junior and member of the hiring committee:

"It is clear he cares about the whole student- which is important at Souhegan. He’s passionate about school- but he emphasizes how much he cares - which shows that he prioritizes social-emotional learning. Given the year we’ve had, I think he’s exactly the kind of guy we need in our schools. He’s a genuine leader."

Stephen O’Keefe, Chair of the SAU 39 Board:

"We are excited to have someone with Mr. Chamberlin’s passion, conviction and experience join our district’s administrative team. His student-centered approach and passion for educational standards will have a profound impact on our community’s children for years to come. I proudly join Superintendent Steel in welcoming Mr. Chamberlin to our community."

SAU #39: School District Annual Meetings Delayed to May & June

AMHERST & MONT VERNON – In response to Emergency Order #83 dated January 22, 2021, all three school districts of SAU #39 have voted to delay the annual meeting process as follows:

Deliberative Sessions (aka the first session of the annual school district meetings) will take place on:

- Tuesday, May 4, 2021 – Amherst School District
- Wednesday, May 5, 2021 – Mont Vernon School District

The time and specific location of the deliberative sessions will be posted at least 14 days prior to the deliberative session dates and will be in compliance with the emergency order. The Time and Location of the Deliberative Session will be posted promptly after it is set by the Governing Body after consultation with the Moderator and Clerk.

Voting (aka the second session for the annual school district meetings) will take place on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 as follows:

- For Amherst voters: From 6:00 AM – 8:00 PM at Souhegan High School
- For Mont Vernon voters: From 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM at the Mont Vernon Village School.

The Selectmen in Mont Vernon & Amherst have taken similar action such that voting day for all school district and for both towns will take place on June 8, 2021.

Note: the candidate filing window closed Friday, January 29th. Existing school board member terms are extended by this action until the election in June and new school board members are sworn in.

Manchester Community Music School Presents

“The Power of Music”

FREE Online Lecture and Concert Series

MANCHESTER – Music is a powerful force in our world. Every generation and culture throughout history has used music as a means to provide comfort, motivate action, express emotions, celebrate good times, and mourn losses. Join our faculty as they give voice to topics they’ve been exploring during this time of quarantine. Through a combination of lectures and performances, they will share their own perspectives and journeys of personal exploration through music.

“The Power of Music” Series topics include:

- Celebrating Piano Music of Black Composers - February 18, 2021 - 7:00 pm
- Music for Unity - March 18, 2021 - 7:00 pm
- Bringing music to Social Change - April 15, 2021 - 7:00 pm

The series will be presented online and is free and open to the public. Pre-registration is required by visiting: https://mcmusicschool.org/powerofmusic/

Established in 1983, the Manchester Community Music School is in its 38th year of changing lives through the power of music. Located in historic north Manchester, the Music School provides quality musical instruction, performance opportunities, and music therapy services for individuals of all ages in house, online, and through community partnerships. For more information about the Manchester Community Music School, call 603-644-4568 or visit www.mcmusicschool.org.
Brenna Desborough of Amherst Named to Cedar Crest College's Fall 2020 Dean's List

ALLENTOWN, PA (01/27/2021)-- Cedar Crest College congratulates Brenna Desborough of Amherst, NH for making the Dean's List for the fall 2020 semester. The Dean's List recognizes students who have earned a grade point average of 3.65 or higher in the academic semester.

Located in Allentown, Pa., Cedar Crest College was selected as a “Top Regional College” and a “Best Value” in U.S. News & World Report’s Best Colleges rankings from 2012-2019 and a “Best College for Veterans” in 2015, 2016, 2018 and 2019. In addition, the College was recognized as a 2018-2019 College of Distinction, and the School of Adult and Graduate Education was ranked a Top 25 school for non-traditional students by Best College Reviews in 2017. Cedar Crest was ranked by College Choice as the number twelve best women’s college in 2016, Founded in 1867, Cedar Crest currently enrolls approximately 1,700 students-full-time, part-time and graduate-in more than 50 fields of study.

University of Kentucky College of Arts & Sciences Announces Fall 2020 Dean's List

LEXINGTON, KY-- More than 2,100 undergraduate students have qualified for the Fall College of Arts & Sciences Dean's List. Students on the Dean's List earned 12 or more credit hours as letter grades with a minimum 3.60 GPA for the semester.

Among them are: Grace Valano of Amherst. Grace was majoring in Environmental & Sustainability Studies.

Springfield College Recognizes Dean’s List Students for the 2020 Fall Semester

SPRINGFIELD, MA (01/21/2021)-- Springfield College Recognizes Dean's List Students for the 2020 Fall Semester. Springfield College has named Ellie Lohnes from Amherst to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2020 fall semester. Lohnes has a primary major of Health Science/Pre-physician Assistant.

SNHU Announces Fall 2020 Dean's List

MANCHESTER, NH -- It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the fall 2020 Dean's List.

Eligibility for the Dean's List requires that a student accumulate an academic grade point average (GPA) of 3.5-3.699 and earn 12 credits for the semester.

Ryan Hauser of Amherst

Local residents make Dean's List at Wentworth Institute of Technology

BOSTON, January 27, 2021 - The following local students have made the Dean's List at Wentworth Institute of Technology for the Fall 2020 semester.

Kathryn Deppen Dechanbeau of Amherst, N.H.
Spencer James George of Amherst, N.H.

Founded in 1904, Wentworth Institute of Technology is a nationally ranked university offering career-focused education through bachelor's degree programs in areas such as engineering, architecture, computer science, applied mathematics, business management, computer networking, construction management, and design. Its setting is urban, on 31 acres in the Fenway neighborhood of Boston, Mass. The Institute also offers master's degrees in applied computer science, architecture, civil engineering, construction management, facility management, and technology management. A leader in engineering, design, management and sciences education, Wentworth is known for its emphasis on career preparation for students through its leading co-op programs and alignment with 21st-century workforce needs.

Fairfield University Congratulates Fall 2020 Dean List

FAIRFIELD, CT. - Fairfield University announces the Deans List Honors for the Fall 2020 semester. Madison Robicheau of Amherst has been named to the Dean's List. In order to be placed on the Dean's List, students must have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours in a semester, have no outstanding or incomplete grades for that semester, and have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better.

Local students make dean’s list at Connecticut College

NEW LONDON, Conn. - The following students have been named to the Connecticut College dean’s list for the 2020 fall semester. From Amherst: Katherine Hollister, 2022, Dean’s High Honors, Psychology and Human Development

Emma Pyles, 2024, Dean’s High Honors, Undeclared

Jake Upton, 2022, Dean’s High Honors, English and Classics

Andrew Hubbard Named to Dean's List at Anderson University

ANDERSON, S.C. - Despite the incredible challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, Andrew Hubbard of Mont Vernon was named to the Dean's List at Anderson University for the fall semester, 2020. In order to be named to the Dean's List, a student must maintain a 3.5 grade point average or higher for the semester.

Anderson University congratulates Andrew Hubbard for this incredible accomplishment amid unprecedented challenges.

Assumption Students Named to Dean's List

WORCESTER, MA -- Assumption University has announced those students named to the University's Dean's List for the fall 2020 semester. Students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 for a five-class, 15-credit semester to be included on the prestigious list, which is announced at the completion of the fall and spring semesters. Due to the pandemic, this fall semester was divided into two accelerated seven-week terms.

John Mastergeorge of Amherst (03031), Class of 2022
Rebecca Benjamin of Amherst (03031), Class of 2024

University of New Hampshire's Dean List for the Fall 2020 Semester

The following students have been named to the Dean’s List at the University of New Hampshire for the fall 2020 semester.

AMHERST
Highest Honors
Faith Farnham, Abigail Estabrook, Ryan Quinn, Connor Mack, Benjamin Shapiro, Ashley Wilson, Ely Marciano, Shawn Latulippe, Danielle DesRuisseaux, Rylee Young, Kyle Manlogon, McClusky McBride, Katie Griffin, Rebekah Adams, Elizabeth Hart

High Honors
Camryn McNally, Tristan Colby, Matthew Ladd, Peter Ahonen, Elissia Lawrence, Madalyn Barretto, Norman Gagnon, Cole Christopher, Madeleine Clement, Isabella Geskos, Marissa Walker, Isabella Darling, Peter Doherty, Ella Lowenberg, Mary-Kate Dimartino, Jessica Ewing, Kristina Cooley

Honors
Lindsey Miller, Thomas Robinson, Cassandra Jacobs, Rylie McCoy, Madison St. Onge, Caterina Coppola, Jonathan Amrein, Tyler Jaggerfer, Ian Doherty, Kaylenn Dickinson, Seth Gunther, Emma Rockstrom, John Caraccio

MONT VERNON
Highest Honors
Isabelle Aiello, Ryan Patterson, Tatum Chamberlain, Alissa Reitter

High Honors
Keelan MacKenzie, Bridget Patterson, Genevive Shortt, Derrick Loughlin, Allison Girard

Becker College announces Dean's List for Fall 2020

WORCESTER, MA -- Becker College is proud to announce the Dean's List for the fall 2020 semester. The Dean's List recognizes all full-time students (24 or more credit hours earned for the academic year; 12 minimum each semester (September through May) whose term grade point average is 3.50 or higher with no grade below a B- and no incomplete (I) or withdrawal/failing (WF) grades.

Kayla Bissonnette of Amherst, NH, is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science, Pre-PT/Health Science.
Dani Huckabone of Amherst, whose major is...

Local students named to the Fall 2020 Dean's List include:
Taylor Asselin of Amherst, NH
Aydan Kuhnert of Amherst, NH
Spencer Wright of Amherst, NH

Nichols College Students Named to Fall 2020 Honors List
DUDLEY, MA (01/12/2021) Many hard-working students at Nichols College in Dudley, Mass., have achieved Dean's List or President's List honors during the fall 2020 semester.

The Dean's List and President's List give recognition to those students who achieve high grades during a single semester. Students whose semester grade point average is 3.85 or higher in at least 12 graded credit hours during a single semester. Students who are placed on the Dean's List that semester.

To be eligible for the Governor's List, students must earn a grade point average of 3.50 or higher earned on a minimum of 12 credited semester hours.

Hofstra University Congratulates Fall 2020 Provost's List Students
HEMPSTEAD, NY - Hofstra University is proud to announce the Fall 2020 Provost's List, which recognizes students who have earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

The following local students have been recognized: Cassandra Jillson of Amherst.

Fall 2020 Provost's List at Dean College
FRANKLIN, MA (01/22/2022) -- Dean College is pleased to announce the local students that have earned a place on the President's List for the fall 2020 semester. These students have demonstrated a serious commitment to their studies while at Dean College.

Delaney Corcoran of Mont Vernon

Bucknell Students Named to Dean's List
LEWISBURG, PA -- Bucknell University has released the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2020-21 academic year. A student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0 to receive dean's list recognition.

The following students have achieved dean's list status:
Madeleine Hunt, class of 2021, from Amherst

Bryant University Students Named to Deans' List
SMITHFIELD, RI -- Bryant University is dedicated to the pursuit, recognition, and celebration of academic excellence. The University is pleased to recognize the students who have been named to the Deans' List for the fall 2020 semester.

"The challenges of the last year have revealed the character and grit of our community of scholars," said Provost and Chief Academic Officer Glenn Sulmasy, JD, LL.M, reflecting on Bryant's successful fall semester.

"I am impressed and proud of their resilience, dedication, and innovative spirit. Congratulations on this outstanding achievement!" Abigail Tesconi, class of 2022, from Amherst, NH

Lauren Adriamn, class of 2024, from Amherst, NH
Mitchell Greany, class of 2021, from Amherst, NH

Local Residents Named to Dean's List for Fall 2020 Semester
MANCHESTER, NH - Saint Anselm College has released the Dean's List of high academic achievers for the first semester of the 2020-2021 school year. To be eligible for this honor, a student must have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or better in the semester with at least 12 credits of study which award a letter grade. A total of 547 students representing 24 states and 3 countries received this honor.

Mark W. Cronin, Dean of the College, announced that the following students have been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2020 semester at Saint Anselm College, Manchester, NH.

AMHERST
Seth K. Adams, 2022, Physics
John R. Hennell, 2023, Chemistry

MONT VERNON
Hannah C. Beaudry, 2021, English
McKenzie L. Robinson, 2022, Edu Studies: Elem Educ
Map-Like Drawings Explore Manchester’s Social Issues

Currier Museum of Art Debuts New Work by Artist Larissa Fassler

MANCHESTER – The Currier Museum of Art will premiere a suite of immersive large-scale drawings by Larissa Fassler that were inspired by her time as artist-in-residence at the museum. Critical Cartography: Larissa Fassler in Manchester opens on November 12, 2020. “Larissa Fassler’s works are extremely unusual maps. They plot how people of all types behave in our city,” said museum director Alan Chong. “This project is part of our long-term interest in landscape – of our neighborhood and our region. Larissa has helped us understand the social needs faced by our communities.”

Fassler, a Canadian artist who has been based in Berlin, Germany for the last twenty years, creates drawings, paintings, and sculptures based on research and observation of cities. Her past work has focused on Paris, Berlin, and New York, among other cities. She is interested in understanding how a city’s architecture affects its citizens – both psychologically and physically – and in turn how our behavior shapes the built environment. Primarily taking the form of maps, her work presents a critical cartography by drawing attention to vital issues facing a city and by inspiring dialogue among viewers and citizens alike.

The monumental drawings on display reflect her impressions of Manchester’s downtown as observed over several weeks in the summer of 2019. Fassler spent countless hours exploring, observing, sketching, and mapping the environment and the movement of people through public spaces. From her initial observations, she conducted research on city statistics as well as spoke to members of the community. The drawings raise important civic issues, including the use of public spaces, the role of community organizations in supporting the needs of citizens, and the effects of poverty on the physical and emotional health of a community.

“Larissa’s drawings complicate our expectations of what a map can do,” says Samantha Cataldo, curator of contemporary art. “She visualizes complex social problems and offers the viewer a new way to access the information. As an artist, her role is to ask questions, rather than offer answers, and she inspires us to think critically about our own perspectives on the concepts present in her work.”

Larissa Fassler Mapping Manchester Zoom Event

While in residence at the Currier Museum in the summer of 2019, Larissa Fassler explored the neighborhoods surrounding the museum and created large-scale drawings of Manchester’s downtown core. On July 17, Samantha Cataldo, curator of contemporary art, sat down with Fassler for a discussion of the artist’s work, methods, and new drawings to be revealed at the Currier in November 2020.
A Note From the Library Trustees

The Library Trustees voted this past month to extend Curbside Pickup Only Service through the end of February in order to contain the spread of COVID-19 in Mont Vernon. They will closely monitor the number of cases in town over the next month to determine a future opening date. For now, Curbside Pickup is open during all open hours and we encourage patrons to call 673-7888, email dalandlibrary@comcast.net, or reserve materials online with a library card for touch free pickup in the library lobby. Questions? Call the library at 673-7888.

The Ultimate Presentation for Red Sox Nation

Do you love baseball? Are you a fan of the Boston Red Sox? Take a fun and enlightening journey through Boston Red Sox history with the author of the Ultimate Boston Red Sox Time Machine Book. This presentation features videos and photographs of the greatest and most fascinating players, teams, events and moments in franchise history. The program also includes trivia questions for patrons to ponder and covers Sox history from the Royal Rooters, who launched Red Sox Nation, all the way to the four World Series championships and beyond. It will conclude with a question-and-answer period. Author Martin Gitlin will present on Zoom Tuesday, February 23rd at 7:00pm. Visit the library Facebook page at https://fb.me/e/H9pt5cj3 for information and Zoom invitation.

Storytime on YouTube

Miss JoAnn is now on YouTube! We are in the process of transferring her weekly storytimes and puppet shows to our new channel. Visit https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKqrnWVUbzqfP7AZKXBy1m6Q for the complete collection. Subscribe to Daland Memorial Library to get notifications of new posts.

Adult Craft Night

Just in time for the Backyard Winter Bird Survey on Feb 13 & 14th. Sign up to make an edible birdhouse on Tuesday, Feb. 9th at 6:30pm on Zoom! We will provide all the materials you need to cover a wooden birdhouse with seeds and dried fruits to attract local feathered friends to your yard. Space is limited to 10. Registration required. Call the library at 673-7888 to sign up. $5 material fee at pick up.

Backyard Bird Habitats: Creating a Wildlife Sanctuary

Join us on Zoom on Wednesday, February 17th at 6:30pm to learn all about bird habitats from a NH Audubon educator. While feeders may entice our feathered friends, there are many additional things we can do to encourage them to linger longer. From native plants to bird baths and everything in between, this program will cover the wants and needs of a variety of songbird species while offering tricks and tips to convert your current outdoor space into a birding oasis. Beginner and experts welcome! Event information on the library website www.dalandlibrary.com and on the library Facebook page. Program Sponsored by The Friends of the Daland Memorial Library.

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The library offers two ways to borrow materials digitally online with a valid library card. Log into www.hoopladigital.com to set up a Hoopla account for access to 750,000 titles including movies, E books, audio books, magazines, television shows, documentaries and more! You can also use your library card number to borrow books from NH Overdrive. Visit www.nhoverdrive.com to borrow eBooks and audio books for children and adults.

Happy 100th Hazel Milligan

Our very own Hazel Milligan turned 100 on Sunday, Jan. 24th! A birthday card drive was encouraged to help get 100 cards to her mailbox as a surprise. Friends and family lined up with decorated cars to honk and wish her a happy birthday in a drive by parade. Speaking of parades, Hazel has long been recognized as the oldest resident in town and honored as such in the Annual Spring Gala Parade along with Mont Vernon's newest baby. She is also a talented Mont Vernon Artisan and Lifetime Friend of the Library.

Happy Birthday to our beloved centenarian!
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