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Children’s Library Summer Reading Program Ends

AMHERST – Be a part of this fun Amherst Town Library tradition. Wednesday, July 14th at 2:00pm. Sign up to show us your pet or just to watch! Kids showing their pets should be 5 years or older. Click the button below ...

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Amherst Rec Summer Programs Ending Soon

AMHERST – As summer programs begin to close, new activities will be starting up soon! For example, a trip to Cannon Mountain on the Aerial Tramway will be a great way to see autumn foliage September 30th ...

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To the editor:

Wilkins Fire Update

As many of you are likely aware, on Thursday, July 15th there was a small fire at the Wilkins school. The fire was caused by a backpack vacuum battery and triggered the local sprinkler head. We are thankful that no one was hurt and for the prompt response of our local emergency services; however, there was extensive water and smoke damage throughout the building. Our administration quickly contacted our insurance company and a clean up crew was on site by the next day. Cleaning and drying has continued, and we anticipate the building being fully restored in plenty of time for the start of the school year. We will continue to be in touch with the community about any further developments. Videos on the progress can be viewed at the SAU39 YouTube page.

Re-opening Plans

The Re-opening Task Force continues to work on a plan for the start of our new school year. Their final meeting will be August 4th, after which they will bring their recommendations to the SAU board for final approval on August 19. Recordings of all Re-opening Task Force meetings can be found on the SAU 39 YouTube page.

Joint Facilities Advisory Committee Update

Work with Banwell Architects to determine the exact scope of the project along with placement on the Wilkins Elementary property along with any wetland considerations has been ongoing. Requests for proposals for both construction management and civil engineer have been posted on the SAU website, and interviews are scheduled to take place in August. Residents can expect further cost information after the construction manager has been hired and work has been done to review their estimates.

Policy Season:

By the time this is released, policy season will have come to a close. The policy committee held five meetings this summer and worked on revising, refining, or adopting more than fifty policies. The committee’s recommendations will now be sent to the SAU and district boards for approval or further discussion.

Starting Dates and School Start and End Time:

Just a reminder that the first day of school this fall is August 31st and that our start and end times are as follows:

Clark-Wilkins: 7:45 am to 2:25 pm
AMK: 8:30 am to 3:24 pm.

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

August 12th, 6pm: JIFAC, Brick School
August 19th, 6pm: SAU: Souhegan Learning Commons
August 25th, 6pm: ASB: Souhegan Learning Commons
August 31st: First day of school
September 7th, 6pm: ASB: Souhegan Learning Commons

Sincerely,
Tom Gauthier, Chair
Elizabeth Kuzsma, Vice Chair
Tami Behm
Josh Conkin
Victoria Parisi

Book Shed Re-opens

To the editor:

The Amherst Book Shed (aka the Book Swap in the red building at the Amherst Transfer Station) is now re-opened and cleaned after being closed since March 2020. This is a wonderful resource for people to leave off books for others to take and to take as many as you like for free. Summer’s a great time to come by and pick up some beach reads or other vacation fiction books. Bring your kids and stock up on Children’s books or books for young adults. If you’re in college, come on by and see if you can pick up that biology or calculus textbook you’ll need in the fall.

There’s plenty to choose from.

My wife and I have volunteered in the Book Shed for the past few years, along with a few others. We sort newly dropped off books onto the various labeled categories on the shelves, as well as removing soiled or damaged books. Due to its limited space, we can’t accommodate everything. In particular, please do not drop off:

- Encyclopedia sets and magazines
- Outdated books, e.g., Windows 3.1 manuals, 1948 Red Cross first aid manuals, 1986 AAA, and Fodor’s travel guides, 1995 World Books, etc.
- Books without covers, books missing pages, torn or soiled books
- Take such items up the hill for recycling. Soft cover books can be recycled in the mixed paper bins. Hardcover books can likewise be recycled if you remove the covers, or dumped into the trash bin. Magazines can go in with the newspaper recycling. Old video tapes/DVDs can be left at the Still Good Shed, also recently re-opened.

If we all do our part the Book Shed will continue to be a useful resource for book lovers. Thank you.

Joe O’Neill
Amherst

Police Response is Lacking

To the editor:

I am writing about the closure of Amherst Street and diversion of traffic onto Old Milford Road, and most importantly, the lack of response of the Amherst Police Department regarding the safety of this decision.

What is basically a two lane highway is being diverted onto a small, winding residential street. Drivers are speeding excessively, screaming obscenities to residents walking on our own street and disrupting a nice quiet street.

When I phoned the Amherst Police to ask them to step in and help after I was nearly killed getting my mail, the officers response was “The Amherst police cannot get involved in this, it’s Continental Paving and Aspland”. Here is the mission statement of the Amherst Police Department:

Mission

To strengthen the quality of life in Amherst as we
Deliver exemplary service to the public with compassion and respect whenever called upon
Enforce the laws of our town, state, and country in a fair, firm, and impartial manner and
Maintain a reputation built upon commitment, professionalism, and uncompromising ethics

How did the police deliver exemplary service, respect who called, or enforce the laws?

Debra Wrobel
Amherst
(Edited)
NH Delegation Announces Nearly $1 Million to NH Nonprofits, Including Houses of Worship, to Increase Safety

To the editor:

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan (D-NH), Chair of the Emerging Threats and Spending Oversight Subcommittee, and Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) today announced with Representatives Annie Kuster (NH-02) and Chris Pappas (NH-01) that New Hampshire nonprofits, including houses of worship, will receive $951,951 under the Nonprofit Security Grant Program. The full list of New Hampshire nonprofits to receive funding this year is included below.

“Granite Staters of all faiths deserve to feel safe in their house of worship, but the increasing attacks that we have seen on certain communities threatens that sense of security,” Senator Hassan said. “I was glad to lead efforts to expand federal funding for this critical grant program to help ensure that smaller states like New Hampshire receive more federal resources to help our nonprofits and houses of worship stay safe. I will continue working to help faith-based organizations have the resources that they need to protect their community from threats.”

“Every Granite Stater should be able find solace in their house of worship, should they choose, without fearing for the safety of themselves or community members. Too many times, our nation has borne witness to horrific violence targeting houses of worship, which is why federal resources to protect congregants is so critical. These federal dollars will help shore up security at locations throughout the state to protect those practicing their faith and allow the peace of mind that every person deserves,” said Senator Shaheen. “I will continue to work across the aisle to root out hatred that drives this violence and to provide additional federal assistance that invests in security measures to keep all Granite Staters safe.”

“Granite Staters deserve to live free from the threat of violence in places of worship and throughout our communities,” said Representative Kuster. “These funds heading to New Hampshire from the Nonprofit Security Grant Program will help nonprofits and houses of worship across the state combat foreign and domestic terrorist threats and bolster security measures.”

“Nonprofits and houses of worship are essential parts of our communities and should be safe spaces,” said Representative Pappas. “Everyone should feel secure visiting a place of worship or any other local institution, and I’m pleased several organizations will receive these funds to help improve security, combat terror threats, and keep people safe.”

The following New Hampshire nonprofits and houses of worship will receive federal grant funding to help combat foreign and domestic terrorist threats:

- Concord Christian Academy (Concord, NH) – $25,000
- Crossing Life Church and Community Center (Windham, NH) – $100,000
- First Congregational Church of Wakefield (Wakefield, NH) – $35,000
- Camp Young Judahites (Amherst, NH) – $100,000
- NH Catholic Charities, Inc., Long Term Care and Rehabilitation Care (Manchester, NH) – $49,756
- Penacook Civil Defense Rescue Squad (Boscawen, NH) – $22,418
- Bishop Brady High School (Concord, NH) – $40,000
- Rye Congregational Church (Rye, NH) – $72,000
- Saint Anselm College (Manchester, NH) – $88,624
- St. Joseph Hospital (Nashua, NH) – $90,000
- St. Joseph Hospital/Hitchock Medical Center (Milton, NH) – $70,000
- St. Paul’s Episcopal Church (Concord, NH) – $49,340
- Temple of Israel (Portsmouth, NH) – $63,873
- The Derryfield School (Manchester, NH) – $130,000

Senator Hassan is leading efforts to strengthen security at houses of worship and nonprofits. Former President Trump signed into law bipartisan legislation cosponsored by Senator Hassan to codify in law that grant funding for houses of worship and nonprofit organizations must be available for small states like New Hampshire, not just major metropolitan areas, and Senator Hassan successfully worked to quadruple funding for the program. Senator Hassan also recently introduced the bipartisan Pray Safe Act to establish a federal clearinghouse through which faith-based organizations and houses of worship could access information on safety and security best practices, available federal grant programs, and training opportunities.
LIBRARY

Children's Summer Programming Ends Friday, August 13th

AMHERST – Children who participated in this year's 'TAILS AND TALES' summer reading program have until August 13 to complete reading logs and bring them here, record reading hours and collect prizes.

RECREATION

Senior BBQ at Baboosic Lake with Amherst Recreation

AMHERST – Tentative date is September 14th with rain date the 15th. This is a FREE event open to all Amherst senior citizens. Enjoy a cookout, boat rides and plenty of time to socialize!

LOCAL EVENTS

Red Cross: Emergency Need for Donors – Shortage this Summer

MILFORD – The Red Cross needs to collect more than 1,000 additional blood donations each day. Donors of all blood types are needed, especially type O, which stands at a one-day supply right now.
Children’s Programming at the Amherst Town Library

AUGUST:

Children And Teen Summer Reading Programs End August 13

CHILDREN SUMMER READING: Children who have participated in this year’s TAILS AND TAILS summer reading program have until August 13 to complete their reading logs and bring them to the library to record their reading hours and collect their prizes. Don’t miss adding your reading time to your total! So far, Amherst children have read over 2,800 hours this summer!

TEEN SUMMER READING: Teens who registered for the summer reading program should claim their Book Buck before August 13 and use them to purchase books from the Friends of the Library Book Sale Books, or enter our final raffle for fun gift cards. The last drawing for gift cards will be August 16. Our Teen’s Summer Reading Program 2021 page will be up through the end of August.

Here you can find and reserve titles from the Souhegan Summer Reading List, as well as explore some other fun activities.

FUN STUFF TO DO:

‘BOOKWALKS': Look for the latest Bookwalk on the library’s front lawn. Find the first page and follow the directions for a fun-filled walking treat, plus you’ll get to enjoy a story while being outside.

PICTURE HUNTS: Children are invited to pick up a CHECKLIST from the container on the wall in front of the library and head around back to search for the pictures. "We ask that you please be respectful of the Garden Club’s hard work by remaining on the slate path or grass while searching for pictures. All pictures can be located while on the path. We hope that you enjoy the challenge of the hunt in the peace of our beautiful garden area! Available even when the library is closed.

A LOOK AHEAD TO SEPTEMBER:

AUGUST

PRE-SCHOOL STORYTIMES WILL BEGIN RIGHT AFTER LABOR DAY!

Family Storytime will be offered on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 10:00am from September 7 & 8 to December 14 & 15. For preschoolers ages 3 to 5, younger/older siblings are welcome. Caregivers must be present for any siblings younger than 3 yrs. No registration is required.

Little Listeners Laptime is offered on Thursday and Friday mornings at 10:00am from September 9 & 10 to December 16 & 17. For children age newborn to 3 years. No registration is required. (There will be no storylinetime on November 25 & 26)

S.T.E.A.M. Storytime will be offered Wednesday afternoons at 3:00pm from September 22 to Dec. 15. This is a story program especially for our primary-school kids. Come on over to the library on Wednesday afternoons for a healthy snack, some stories, and a project/craft that explores some of the principles of the world around us. The middle of the week is a great time to come and 'check in' at the library — We love to see you! For ages 5-7, younger siblings are welcome to come along... No registration is required.

NO STORYTIMES on November 24.

For additional storylinetime details, please visit our storylinetime page.

DROP-IN STEM TIME ON FRIDAYS:

Build It! Friday, September 17 from 3:00 to 4:30.

iPads and apps are great, but sometimes, children just need to build something with their own hands!

Come on down to the Children’s Room, and let your child explore our collection of building materials.

We have plastic tubes, marble racers, blocks, magnatiles, mobiles, lots of Legos, and more! Let’s see what we can build!

For kids ages 4 and up. No registration required.

Tech-Willow for Kids Friday, September 24 from 3:00-4:30

Come and explore our collection of S.T.E.A.M.-based activity kits: Snap Circuits, Cubiblocs, Ozrobots, and more... we make them available, so you can explore and enjoy an opportunity to make-your-own fun!

Ages 7 and up. No registration required.

Track Time! Friday, October 1 from 3:00-4:30

Come on down to the library to explore our assortment of tracks—and vehicles to travel on them. Use the materials available to build structures and obstacle courses to make the adventure even more fun—the only limit is your imagination!

Ages 4 and up. No registration required.
Recreation

Amherst Parks & Recreation

Programs & Memberships

What would you like to register for?

Show All Categories

Active Seniors
- Adult Co-Ed Softball Pick Up League
- Stearns Davis Community Garden
- Trip to Cannon Mountain Aerial Tramway
- Yoga for Adults and Teens

Activities for All Ages
- Baboosic Lake Town Beach Information, Beach/Boat Passes, and Boat Storage 2021
- Concerts on the Village Green
- Stearns-Davis Community Garden

Adult Classes
- Amherst Makerspace Memberships
- Strength and Power Group Exercise Classes
- Stearns-Davis Community Garden

Adult Sports and Fitness
- Adult Co-Ed Softball Pick Up League
- Beach Yoga
- Paddleboard Yoga
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- Yoga for Adults and Teens
- Yoga on the Green with Amherst Junior Women’s Club

Baboosic Lake Happenings
- Baboosic Lake Swim Team
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Beach Yoga

Paddleboard Yoga

Swim Lessons

Camps
- Camp Babuck
- Outdoor Discovery Summer Camp

Camps, Specialty
- Girls Empowerment Week
- Softball Summer Camp

Outdoor/Environmental Ed @ PMEC
- School Education at PMEC

Trips
- Trip to Cannon Mountain Aerial Tramway

Youth Seasonal Sports
- Baboosic Lake Swim Team
- Baseball, Fall
- Soccer
- Softball, Fall
Red Cross: Emergency Need for Donors

**Shortage continues this summer due to increased demand for blood**

Give Aug 1-15 for chance to win a trip for 2 to sold-out Bonnaroo and more

MANCHESTER — The American Red Cross has an emergency need for lifesaving blood amid the ongoing severe blood shortage. Blood and platelet donations continue to be critical to meet hospital demand and the public is urged to make an appointment to give now.

The Red Cross has been distributing about 12% more blood products to hospitals across the U.S. compared to this time last year. The Red Cross needs to collect more than 1,000 additional blood donations each day to meet the current hospital demand and end the severe blood shortage. Donors of all blood types are needed, especially type O, which stands at just a one-day supply right now.

To thank donors who help ensure a strong blood and platelet supply this month, all who come to give Aug. 1-15, will automatically be entered for a chance to win an exclusive, VIP trip for two to the sold-out 2021 Bonnaroo Music & Arts Festival. Those who come to donate throughout August will also receive a free 4-month subscription offer to Apple Music by email (new subscribers only). More details are available at RedCrossBlood.org/FeelTheBeat.

Donors who give now will help stock the shelves as we wind down the summer season. Schedule an appointment to give blood or platelets by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

In most cases, those who have received a COVID-19 vaccine can donate. However, knowing the name of the manufacturer of the vaccine they received is important in determining donation eligibility.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities Aug. 1-15

**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

**Bedford**
6/6/2021: 2 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., St. Elizabeth Seton Church Parish Center, 190 Meetinghouse Rd.

**Manchester**
8/11/2021: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Easterseals, 555 Auburn St
8/3/2021: 1:30 p.m. - 7 p.m., Great North Alewicks, 1050 Holt Ave
8/4/2021: 11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., Manchester Police Department, 405 Valley Street

**Merrimack**
6/3/2021: 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., St John Neumann Church, 708 Millford Road

**Milford**
8/13/2021: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., Milford NH Masonic Temple, Milford NH Masonic Temple, 30 MT Vernon St

**Nashua**
8/10/2021: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., St. Philip Greek Orthodox Church, 500 West Hollis Street
8/11/2021: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Sky Meadow Country Club, 6 Mountain Laurels Drive
8/12/2021: 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Courtyard by Marriott, 2200 Southwood Dr
8/2/2021: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Grace Lutheran Church, 130 Spibelook Road
8/3/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Nashua Elks Lodge, 12 Murphy Drive, Unit B-1
8/5/2021: 2 p.m. - 7 p.m., Nashua Elks Lodge, 12 Murphy Drive, Unit B-1
8/7/2021: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Immaculate Conception Gathering Hall, 216 East Dunstable Road

**Nashua Region Household Hazardous Waste Collection**

NASHUA — The Nashua Regional Planning Commission is holding a Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Saturday, August 7 in Nashua.

**What—Household Hazardous Waste Collection**

**When—Saturday August 7, 8:00AM-12:00PM**

Where—Nashua City Park & Ride, 25 Crown Street, Nashua

Who Can Attend—residents of Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, Nashua, Pelham, and Windham

Cost—$15 user fee per vehicle, additional charges for quantities exceeding 10 gallons or 20 pounds

No Latex Paint, No Electronics, No Medications

For more information and a complete list of accepted items, please visit: http://www.nashuapr.org/htw or call 603-417-6570.
PEOPLE

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EVENTS

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SCOUTING

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AMHERST – The Veterans Administration, under the myVA program, has established Community Veteran Engagement Boards (CVEBs) in all fifty states. The mission of the New Hampshire Veteran Engagement Board (NH-VEB) is to raise awareness, increase collaboration, and increase education throughout New Hampshire as to what it means to be a veteran, and how we can better serve our veterans, service members, and their families to improve outcomes.

The Protzmann Award is an initiative to collect, share and replicate the things New Hampshire communities do well to support and honor military veterans. On June 14 the winners of the Inaugural Protzmann Award were announced. Among the nine statewide winners was Amherst's own, Marie Grella. The award is given in the name of Brigadier General Carolyn Protzmann, ret. Air, New Hampshire National Guard. The award is given to individuals for service above and beyond and demonstrates a sustained commitment to the military community.

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She spearheaded the work to proclaim Amherst as a Purple Heart Community. Becoming a Purple Heart Community pays tribute to U.S. service members who have been injured or killed in combat, and is also meant to demonstrate the community’s support for veteran-related legislative initiatives.

She spent two and a half years facilitating the arrival in Amherst of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Moving Wall for a four day stay. With support from the Milford Rotary Club, over 10,000 people visited the Wall to honor friends, family members and neighbors who served during the Vietnam War. It was a memorable and solemn experience.

For years Marie was the organizer of the Memorial Day parade. The parade stopped at the various monuments in the village to pay homage to the soldiers. One of the important aspects of the parade is the number of young people involved. The Souhegan High School Band, the Amherst Middle School Band, Brownies and Scouts are all part of the revent procession. Those are just a few of the contributions Marie has made over the years. I’m certain she is probably working on another project to serve the veterans and enrich the fabric of our community.

Congratulations, Marie!
Calling All Red Sox Fans!
Don’t Miss This Opportunity of a Lifetime!

AMHERST – The Amherst Lions Club is giving away four (4) Field Box tickets for the Saturday, August 21st game against the Texas Rangers. Included with the 4 tickets will be $100 cash for parking and food. These tickets have a value of $1,640 or more but this package is really priceless since seats like these just aren’t ever made available. In short, this is the chance of a lifetime for one lucky winner and their family or friends to be on TV for every pitch!!!!

These seats are directly behind home plate! They are literally the best seats at Fenway!!! Imagine eating Fenway franks and singing “Sweet Caroline” during the 7th inning stretch! What about seeing Dovers, Bogarts and Martinez batting.

You can enter the raffle below:
To order by mail, download the Order Form
We will email you your ticket numbers. The drawing is on 8/11 and you will be notified if you are the winner.

Ticket prices:
1 ticket for $10, 6 tickets for $50,
13 tickets for $100 and 67 tickets for $500.
The more you buy the better the discount.

The Amherst LIONS are so excited to have secured these Red Sox tickets for this year’s ticket raffle through the generosity of an anonymous and well-connected donor. Your purchase will help us help others!

Newcomers Welcomes New Members
The Souhegan Valley Women’s Social & Newcomers Club, aka Amherst Area Newcomers Club, is a non-profit, social group for women. We welcome new residents as well as those who have lived here for years. We offer monthly general events and over 21 interest groups. For more information, check out our website at NHNewcomers.com. You may contact us at nhnewcomers@gmail.com. Come join the fun!

53rd Annual Milford Rotary Pancake Breakfast

September 12 at Souhegan Valley Boys and Girls Club

The Milford Rotary Club invites you to help support our community at our annual Pancake Breakfast, on Sunday, September 12, 2021 at the Souhegan Valley Boys and Girls Club in Milford.

Your support could help us raise over $25,000 with this event. This money goes back into our community by helping valuable organization such as: Souhegan Valley Boys and Girls Club, SHARE, Bridges and many others.

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. During the past 100 years, the Foundation has spent $3 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. With your help, we can make lives better in your community and around the world.

What impact can one donation have? It can save a life. A child can be protected from polio with as little as 60 cents. Our partners make your donation go even further. For every $1 Rotary commits to polio eradication, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has committed $2.

What are the areas of the Foundation’s focus? Promoting Peace, Providing Clean Water, Saving Mothers and Children, Supporting Education, Growing Local Economies, and Fighting Disease. Even the United States has problems in all six areas of focus, the reason for Global Grants, assistance going in all directions to help promote a better world.

The Milford Rotary Club covers the towns of Amherst, Milford, Mont Vernon, Lyndeborough and Wilton, NH. The club usually meets at the Livermore Community House on Union Street in Milford, NH for noontime lunch meetings on Wednesdays.
Ride The Cog Railway to the Top of NH

BRETTON WOODS – The Cog Railway, the world’s first mountain climbing cog railway, provides a sense of adventure and history as it makes the spectacular climb up a 3-mile-long trestle to the 6,288-foot summit of Mount Washington – the tallest mountain in the northeast. No matter the weather – sun, rain or snow – this once-in-a-lifetime experience is available May through November.

Passengers may choose to ride The Cog in a historic coach powered by a vintage coal-fired steam locomotive or the more modern and eco-friendly biodiesel engines. The Cog is located six miles from Route 302 and historic Bretton Woods on Basin Station Rd. Marlsmfield Station, NH, and just about 2 hours from Amhurst.

Advance ticket purchase is strongly recommended and are available online at this time. Come or by phone at 603.278.5404.

For more information, visit thecog.com.

46th NH Highland Games & Festival, September 17-19

LINCOLN, NH – Come to Loon Mountain Resort September 17th through 19th and discover a little bit of Scotland – no passport required. Be part of this 3-day celebration of Scottish music, food and drink, athletics, dance, heritage and more! Fun activities for all ages.

Our event will be different this year, but you will still find many of your favorite aspects of the Games: hearing the pipes play, watching Highland dance, seeing athletic feats of strength and endurance, enjoying fantastic Celtic musical acts, sheep dogs trials, Try-It activities, and of course, whisky tasting! Our friends at Clan Village, many fantastic vendors and so much more will be here!

IMPORTANT DETAILS
Our Festival will be more intimate this year, but you will find your favorite features including:

- The Joyous Sound of Pipes & Drums
- Athletic Feats of Strength & Endurance
- Fantastic Celtic Bands like Albannach
- Sheep Dog Trials
- Apple Highland Dancers
- Whisky Tastings
- Friends in Clan Village
- Vendors with Scottish Gear
- Try It Classes
- Seeing Familiar Faces & Some New Ones (think cows!)

This year, there will be a limit set on capacity and will include onsite parking only for all ticket holders. All attendees must purchase a ticket in advance. No tickets will be sold onsite.

We have planned this event with current COVID limitations in mind as we cannot plan for what September might bring. We will offer an event focused on outdoor activities to ensure the safest conditions for all attendees, volunteers and staff. All current federal, state and local guidelines, and Loon Mountain policies, at the time of the event will be adhered to and strictly enforced.

Upcoming Programs at Beaver Brook Association, Hollis

FALL PROGRAM REGISTRATION OPENS AUGUST 1st
Learn more at the OPEN HOUSE, Wednesday August 25th 9-11am
Maple Hill Farm, Hollis, NH 03049

Make Aromatherapy Herb Wreaths
Thursday Aug 19, 3:35 pm or 6-8 pm
$25 | $22 BBA members
The Fresh Herb Wreath class at Beaver Brook is one of the most popular classes every year.
This class will be conducted outside at tables in the shade. There is a rooted option in case of inclement weather:
1. You are permitted to harvest fresh herbs during the class from the Maple Hill Gardens. We will provide you with wreath ring and floral wire.
2. You will create a long-lasting wreath using herbs and flowers that will last for more than a year.
3. You will benefit from the essential oils of these herbs and likely experience elevated mood, relaxation and stress reduction.
Typical herbs include lavender, thyme, marjoram, lemon balm, Russian sage, mint, Joe Pooeed, queen ann’s lace, sage and more.
Feel free to bring other things from your garden if you wish to mix them in or share. BYO wine or other beverages if you like and your own clippers if you have them.

Music in the Gardens
Symphony NH Brass
August 14th at Maple Hill Farm
Enjoy Symphony NH’s Americana Brass Quintet. The Beaver Brook Maple Hill Gardens open before concert at 3pm. Bring a picnic dinner, chairs and blankets.
Parking will be in the field across the street from 117 Ridge Rd. Check in at the ticket table.
Adult tickets $18 each. Children 12 years old and under $5 each.
Community Commemorates Eagle Scout Project

AMHERST – Andrew Mullin, Amherst resident, his family, scouts from Troop 4 in Milford, and others in attendance commemorated his Eagle Scout Project at the new Forestview Cemetery on Merrimack Road in Amherst.

His project included the installation of a 40 foot flagpole, two granite benches and landscaping along with a plaque dedicating the memorial in honor of the Veterans of the United States Armed Forces.

“I would like to thank the Town of Amherst and the Amherst Cemetery Trustees for allowing me to do my project in Amherst and for their assistance and support for my project. I would also like to especially thank the Amherst DPW staff and Cemetery Sexton Perry Day for helping me significantly with my project. Andrew will be going before the Eagle Board and hopes to be a proud Eagle Scout soon. Due to the Covid pandemic, his fundraising options were severely limited. However, the community response and support for the project was extraordinary and exceeded expectations.
Catherine F. Cray
AMHERST – Catherine F. Cray, 61, longtime resident of Amherst, NH, passed away on July 15, 2021 at her home surrounded by her loving husband, three sons, and sister. Cathy was born on February 26, 1960, in Newton, MA, the daughter of the late Paul Leo Flynn, Sr. and Mary (Kenney) Fitzsimmons. Cathy was raised and educated in Newton, later receiving her Associate’s degree at Colby-Sawyer College, Bachelor’s degree at Merrimack College, and Master’s degree at Rivier University as a Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor (LCMHC). Cathy started her life’s work of helping adolescents at the Webster House in Manchester, NH had worked as a clinical therapist for Hollis-Brookline High School, Hollis, NH and more recently at St. Anselm College, Goffstown, NH.

Cathy was married to her best friend and loving husband, Jerry Cray, for 33 years and they made their home in Amherst, NH. Their greatest passion and joy in life was raising their three boys, Ryan, Colin, and Brendan. Cathy was an avid runner, health enthusiast, and a loved member of the community.

Sylvester F. Kostrzynski
AMHERST – Sylvester Francis Kostrzynski, Jr. died at his home on June 19th, 2021.

Sylvester, (Ski) was born on November 9th, 1942, in Chicago, IL, son of the late Sylvester Francis Kostrzynski, Sr. and Lottie (Zabinski) Kostrzynski. Ski was raised and educated in Chicago and married Mary (Daley). They had 3 children, Michael (Mary), of Charlotte, NC, Helen of Portsmouth, NH and John of Hillsboro, NH. Ski had five grandchildren; Hannah, James, Chloe, Ashley and Annie.

She was predeceased by her paternal grandmother, Catherine Flynn; sister, Lisa Flynn, and her parents Paul Leo Flynn, Sr. and Mary (Kenney) Fitzsimmons.

Family members include her husband of 33 years, Gerald E. “Jerry” Cray of Amherst, NH; three sons and daughters-in-law, Ryan and Audrey Cray of Sictuate, MA, Colin and Caroline Cray of Boston, MA and Brendan Cray of Amherst, NH; a granddaughter, Heidi Catherine Cray of Sictuate, MA; two brothers, Paul Flynn Jr. of Boston, MA, Ned Flynn of Newham, MA; a sister, Deirdre Flynn-Hewett of Boston, MA; five nieces, Haley Hewett, Kelsey Hewett, Courtney Stenstrom, Catherine Solinger, and Elizabeth Flynn; and a nephew, Andrew Flynn; step-mother, Susan Flynn.

Memorial visiting hours are on Wednesday, July 21st from 4:00-7:00pm in the Smith & Heald Funeral Home, 63 Elm Street, Milford, NH. A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated on Thursday at 11:00am in St. Patrick's Church, 34 Amherst Street, Milford, NH. In lieu of flowers, donations in Cathy's memory may be made to either the Webster House at 135 Webster Street, Manchester, NH 03104 or https://www.websterhousenh.org/ the Community Action for Safe Teens (CAST) of the Boys and Girls Club of Souhegan Valley/ www.svbgc.org/programs/c-a-s-t/ __

Arrangements are in the care of Smith & Heald Funeral Home, 63 Elm Street, Milford, NH. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please visit www.smith-heald.com.

Ski worked at Merrill Lynch for 30 years and spent his time there in operations, traveling the country, opening locations in the 70’s, 80’s and 90’s. Later, Ski worked for The Nashua Telegraph Newspaper. Ski was a resident of Amherst, NH for 35 years and loved watching the news. He was proud to talk about politics, always enjoying a good debate.

Ski loved music, especially Jazz and he was always up for a game of chess with his grandchildren.

Services will be private for the family. Arrangements are in the care of Smith & Heald Funeral Home, 63 Elm Street, Milford. To share a memory or to offer a condolence, please go to http://www.smith-heald.com.
Obituaries

Jayson Darula

MONT VERNON – Jayson Darula passed away peacefully at home on Friday, March 12, 2021 at the age of 65, in the presence of his nurturing and devoted wife and children. He fought valiantly against cancer in his latter three years, but it never beat his love of life and great sense of humor. He will not only be remembered for his wit and charm, but also for his generosity and thoughtfulness towards others.

He was truly a dedicated family man who fostered a love of learning which lives on in his three beloved children Jordan, Grace, and August. He graduated from Marquette University, majoring in philosophy and history. He served his community in Mont Vernon, NH as a school board member and lacrosse and baseball coach.

He loved to read, and could often be found with either a historical non-fiction book, or a well worn copy of the New York Times at his side as he sipped coffee or slept on the patio. He was a regular attendee at Souhegan Woods Golf Course and Hampstead Hills Athletic Club, where he was deeply embedded in both communities. He loved his work and the friends that he made as a lumber broker of 40 years. His quips were memorable, full of grace, and always honest.

Jayson leaves behind his own beautiful soul and memories to his loving wife, Kelly, and his three children. He was preceded in death by his parents, Florence and Paul Darula, and his older brother, Wayne Darula of Greenwich, CT, where Jayson was born and raised. He is survived by his sister Isabelle Darula and her husband Dr. Peter Cohen of Glenwood Springs, CO; his brother Peter and his wife Adriana Darula, of Lake City, MN, and their two children, Danika and Skyler.

A Memorial Golf Tournament in Jayson’s memory will be held on Friday, September 24, 2021 at Souhegan Woods Golf Club, 65 Thorrtons Ferry Rd 2, Amherst, NH. For more information please go to www.MVLCF.org (News & Events page).

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Jayson’s memory to the Mont Vernon Library Charitable Foundation, working to provide a new library to the town of Mont Vernon, a cause Jayson strongly believed in. Donations may be mailed to: MVLCF, P.O. Box 25, Mont Vernon, NH 03057 or www.MVLCF.org

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Drusilla Nelson D’Auteuil


In 1964 Dru met the love of her life, Don, at a summer outing in the Thimble Islands and they were married thirteen months later. Together they sailed the Eastern Seaboard, designed and built six beautiful homes, called Amherst “home” for many years, raised two girls, travelled near and far, and maintained strong and lasting friendships. They shared 52 wonderful years together. Dru was a passionate gardener, a gourmet cook, a dedicated volunteer, an avid walker, and an eternal teacher.

A truly kind and warm woman, Dru’s smile was infectious and welcoming. She was well practiced in the art of feeding the body and the soul with great food, thoughtful conversation and genuine laughter. Dru was small, but mighty. She was incredibly courageous and used her strong faith to persevere with grace and poise in the face of adversity.

She was pre-deceased by her husband, Donald D’Auteuil, is survived by her daughters Nicole D’Auteuil Mutnick and Margaux D’Auteuil Peabody and their spouses; sister Marcia Masland; and four grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at Plymouth Congregational Church in Belmont, Massachusetts, on September 18th 2021, at 11 A.M. In lieu of flowers or donations, please plant something in your garden in her memory. She loved the bright hues of iris, day lilies, pansies, black-eyed Susans, and zinnias. If you do not have a garden, try to embrace frequent walks in her honor or invite friends over for a well-prepared delicious meal.
**SCHOOLS**

Amherst Schools Preparing for a New Year – Bus Route Drafts

AMHERST – Butler Bus Services has prepared drafts of 2021-2022 bus routes for all Amherst and Mont Vernon schools in SAU39 school district. Questions may be directly addressed to Butler by calling 215-6401. Updates to be released soon.

**STUDENTS IN THE NEWS**

Colleges and Universities Submit News of Area Students

Check out the list of students from Amherst and Mont Vernon and read how their progress and success is going at many of the country’s colleges and universities. make us all proud!

**SPORTS**

The Souhegan Sabers Fall Sports Schedules Have Been Published

AMHERST – Download and read published sports schedules published on Souhegan’s Athletics web page for Football, Field Hockey, Boys & Girls Soccer, Golf and Volleyball. A summary Pocket schedule of games for three teams also included.

**VIDEO**

Watch Superintendent Steele’s Review of Fire at Wilkins School

AMHERST – On Sunday, July 18th, Superintendent Adam Steele recorded a video of the damage after a fire broke out at Wilkins School. Click button or photo to access. Click here for update posted July 21st..
SAU #39: Thomas Lecklider Hired as Principal of Mont Vernon Village School

MONT VERNON – August 5, 2021 - Superintendent of Schools Adam Steel and Mont Vernon School Board chair Sarah Lawrence are pleased to announce the hiring of Thomas Lecklider to the position of Principal of the Mont Vernon Village School. He has been hired with a two-year contract that will automatically be extended by an additional two years after a positive performance review in the spring of 2022. His starting salary is $120,000.

Mr. Lecklider has been the principal of Litchfield Middle School for the past 16 years and brings over 20 years of administrative experience to Mont Vernon.

Superintendent Adam Steel: “Tom is a highly experienced instructional leader. Mont Vernon is a special community deserving of a special leader, especially after the past few years. As a former colleague of Tom’s and someone who has stayed in touch over the past 20 years, I am confident Tom is exactly what the Mont Vernon community wants in a leader and what the school needs in a principal.”

Thomas Lecklider: “I am humbled and honored to be the new principal of Mont Vernon Village School. Throughout the entire interview process, it was the student-first mindset, incredible strength of the MVVS community, and outstanding skill of the staff team that resonated with me. I look forward to building on and supporting the team, and continuing a strong partnership with the Mont Vernon community to keep moving MVVS forward as an outstanding learning community. There is a strong and unique sense of unwavering pride and spirit in the town of Mont Vernon and the Mont Vernon Village School that is exciting to be part of.

I will dearly miss the community of Litchfield and Litchfield Middle School after 21+ years in the Litchfield School District. It has been an honor and privilege to have the opportunity to serve the families and students of this community. During my time with the District, I have built incredibly strong relationships with staff, community members, and families. It is these bonds that I will miss most.”

School Board Chair Sarah Lawrence: “Tom’s passion for education lights up the room. His proven success as a Principal and leader in his previous districts is impressive and exactly what we were looking for at MVVS. I’m looking forward to our school and community welcoming Tom and am excited to see his energy and expertise further our mission to engage, challenge and support all learners.”

Teacher Zak Blake: “The Mont Vernon Village School faculty and staff would like to welcome Mr. Lecklider to the Mont Vernon community! Understanding that Mr. Lecklider is a dedicated educator with a student-centered approach, the faculty and staff are excited for leadership that will promote collaboration and teamwork in pursuit of a common goal: to educate and support the students and families of the Mont Vernon community.”

Community member Bonnie Angualas: “Thank you for the opportunity to represent the community in the MVVS Principal selection process. Tom Lecklider stood out in his interview not only as an experienced educator, but an award winning principal with leadership skills, and a collaborative personality. I’m confident he will be a good fit for the students, staff, and community, I look forward to working with him in the near future. Welcome to Mont Vernon Tom!”

*Up2date is the Amherst Citizen’s "e-newsletter"
**Sports**

### Soccer

- **Girls Varsity**
  - **Kingswood Knights**
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### 2021 Division II Golf Master Schedule

**Monday August 16, 2021: First Day to Practice**
**Wednesday August 25, 2021: First Day to Play**
**Wednesday October 6, 2021: Last Day to Schedule**
**Wednesday October 6, 2021: Last Day to Play**

**BOLD=Home team**

**All matches start at 3:30 PM unless noted below.**

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### Pocket Schedules

#### Souhegan – Football

- **09/03/21**: Kennett at Milford 07:00 PM
- **09/10/21**: at Lebanon 07:00 PM
- **09/17/21**: Hollis-Brookline 07:00 PM
- **09/24/21**: Bow 07:00 PM
- **10/01/21**: at Lebanon 07:00 PM
- **10/08/21**: Hillsboro-Deering-Hopkinton 07:00 PM
- **10/15/21**: Hanover 07:00 PM
- **10/22/21**: at Manchester West 07:00 PM
- **10/30/21**: at John Stark 02:00 PM

#### Souhegan – Boys Soccer

- **08/27/21**: Kingswood 04:30 PM
- **08/31/21**: at Lebanon 04:30 PM
- **09/03/21**: at Pelham 04:00 PM
- **09/07/21**: at ConVal 06:00 PM
- **09/10/21**: at Bow 04:30 PM
- **09/14/21**: at John Stark 06:00 PM
- **09/17/21**: at Pembroke 04:30 PM
- **09/21/21**: at Coe-Brown Northwood 04:00 PM
- **09/25/21**: Manchester West 10:00 AM
- **09/28/21**: Stevens 04:30 PM
- **10/01/21**: at Milford 03:30 PM
- **10/08/21**: at Sanborn 04:30 PM
- **10/12/21**: at Hollis-Brookline 06:30 PM
- **10/14/21**: Merrimack Valley 06:00 PM
- **10/19/21**: Oyster River 06:00 PM
- **10/22/21**: at Kennett 04:30 PM

#### Souhegan – Girls Soccer

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- **10/04/21**: at Hollis-Brookline 06:30 PM
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Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth, Reopens August 4 with Robust Slate of Fall Exhibitions

HANOVER — The Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth, is delighted to welcome all visitors back to our galleries starting Wednesday, August 4, with the following open hours: Wednesdays, 11:00 am-5:00 pm; Thursdays and Fridays, 11:00 am-8:00 pm; and Saturdays, 1:00-5:00 pm. The galleries are closed to public visitation on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays. We will offer a celebratory reintroduction to the museum on Saturday, September 18, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm, featuring light refreshment and live music, and the fall will also bring an inspiring range of lectures, gallery talks, workshops, and other in-person and virtual programming. John Stomberg, the Virginia Rice Kelsey 1961s Director of the Hood Museum, shares that, “The return of the Hood marks a significant milestone in Dartmouth’s reopening process. Everyone at the Museum is eager to welcome visitors back into our galleries. We have missed direct engagements with our community and have been making changes to the exhibitions on view, and plans for new programs, that we think everyone will enjoy.”

The fall exhibitions are installed and ready for viewing, with more exciting changes on the way as we move through the academic year.

League of NH Craftsmen Head Back to Mount Sunapee Resort for 88th Annual Craftsmen’s Fair August 7-15

NEWBURY – Shop at nearly 200 booths of juried craft from League members and invited guest artists in a wide range of media areas. Take in a demonstration to learn how this amazing work is created. Enjoy inspiring exhibitions and engage with juried League members and invited artists. Make a day of your visit and stay for a delicious lunch with one of our specialty food vendors or enjoy one of the Mount Sunapee Resort’s new food or beverage options in the Upper or Lower Lodges. You will see increased distance between craft booths and more artists in individual tents, to allow more space for everyone. Looking for a quieter time to join us—try mid-week! Come and soak in the inspiring work of our League members and invited artists at the base of beautiful Mount Sunapee. Open 10 AM – 5 PM rain or shine.
Mont Vernon

Daland Memorial Library

Family Movie Finales! Saturday, August 7th

YOU'RE INVITED!! Come have a barrel of fun and celebrate the end of the Summer Reading Program at the Wilton Town Hall Theater on Saturday, August 7th at 1:00pm! We will be watching the classic version of “The Jungle Book” in the large theater and signing along. Jungle animal costumes encouraged!! FREE ENTRY, POPCORN, & LEMONADE!!! Door prizes for the first 100 movie participants to arrive. This event is made possible by a grant from the NH Charitable Foundation and Amherst Label/Cavetti Family Fund.

Souhegan Reads 2021

Do you have a child at Souhegan High School? This year, the school did not require students to read a specific title over the summer but rather encouraged teens to read for joy. The staff at SHS compiled a recommended reading list with reviews and free access to digital versions. Books are also available at your local library. Click on the link below for the full list:
https://sites.google.com/sau39.org/souheganreads2021/full-list-of-titles?authuser=0&bclid=1w4Z2Giy9x2M_1stj1LhFO7amtsPO._ZwuUD8Vxwldk2ORe6YCGc4yY3kE

American Rescue Plan Act Grant Funds Awarded to the Daland Memorial Library

The Daland Memorial Library has received a $1,287 federal grant from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) which was made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and the New Hampshire State Library. The grant funds received will support the Daland Memorial Library’s efforts to increase access to digital streaming services and resources.

Using these grant funds, the library will add additional funds to the budget for Hoopla Digital. Grant funds will support this streaming service, which provides all library cardholders access to eBooks, audio books, movies, documentaries, children’s television series and more. Access to this 950,000 title collection is available 24/7 with no holds or waits. Each library card holding member can checkout up to 4 materials a month for free. Visit www.hoopladigital.com to create an account and start borrowing.

To learn more about the Daland Memorial Library, its services, and resources, visit http://www.dalandlibrary.com, or visit the library in Mont Vernon, NH at 5 North Main Street. Library cards are available for free to Mont Vernon residents and are available in person or online at https://daland.bibliocommons.com/catalog/

Questions? Call the library at 673-7888 and we'll be happy to help get you started.

Hooks & Needles

Join the Friends of the Library social handwork group on the 2nd Friday of the month from 12-2pm. Experts and beginners are invited to bring their projects to work on. Group will meet outdoors under the library event tent weather permitting. See you Friday, August 13th from 12-2pm.

Cookbook Club

Cookbook Club is back! For our last meeting of the summer, please bring a favorite cookbook and a potluck dish to share on Monday, August 16th at 6:30pm. The library will set the table and provide all the paper products. New cooks always welcome!

Black Books Matter Community Read

The Black Books Matter Book Club has been meeting for one year to share books by black authors. Fiction and non-fiction titles were read and discussed. Join us for a new year of titles and discussions starting with “Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?” by Beverly Daniel Tatum, Ph.D. The meeting will be held on Thursday, August 12th at 6:30pm under the library event tent. Copies of books are available to borrow at the library. We also encourage readers to purchase books to support black authors.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

The Friends of the Library are hosting their Annual Book Sale on Saturday, August 21st from 9am-2pm in the backyard of the library. Come browse through hundreds of books including hardcover and paperback fiction, non-fiction, and children’s books. Bring your own reusable bag and fill it for just $10. We are accepting donated books starting on Friday, August 13th – Friday August 20th. Funds from this sale go to support library programs. Questions? Call Bonnie at the library, 673-7888.