

Thanks to Souhegan Kennel Club from Battalion Commander

To the editor:

I would like share a letter from the commander of the K9 unit in Iraq that Souhegan Kennel Club donated \$1000.00 worth of supplies to. The letter is from the Battalion Commander in Iraq. As a member on the Board of Directors of Souhegan Kennel Club I have permission to share this letter with you. We meet at American K9 Country in Amherst on the 3rd Wednesday of every month and welcome new members.

Cindy Williams
Amherst

To the members of SKC:

I wanted to extend my greatest appreciation for the Souhegan Kennel Club's efforts to support our specialty search dogs here in Iraq. Your donations to support the canines on ground here have had a profound impact on their morale and quality of life. Often this element of the military has specific needs that can be easily overlooked. Because of your efforts, the soldiers responsible for these animals have been able to provide them regular checks between missions. These needs may seem minute to an organization of your caliber, but your support has been critical to ensuring the happiness and good health of our animals. The collapsible bowls, toys and grooming supplies provided were met with great anticipation and excitement by both our canines and their handlers. These animals provide a vital mission and often are responsible for saving the lives of many American sons and daughters. Your organization has improved the quality of life for our animals. I appreciate your efforts and thank you for all that you do. Without organizations such as yours contributing to our efforts here in Iraq, our military would certainly have faced a more difficult time.

Lt. Col. Joel Cross,
Commander,
5th Engineer Battalion, Iraq

Belvin Announces Office Hours, Saturday, February 14

To the editor:

As promised last Autumn when seeking election to the NH House, I announce "Office Hours" to meet the public, and respond to their concerns on Saturday, February 14 from 9-11 AM at the Amherst Post Office. I'll also meet the public in Milford the following Saturday February 21 from 9-11 AM in the Rotary Park adjacent to the Community House. I feel it is important to be available at times and places to the public. Winter weather may change plans, but let us hope for clear a clear sky.

The Governor will deliver his Budget Message Thursday February 12 so his administration's plan to address the \$65 million plus growing current Fiscal Year 2009 deficit, and beyond should be a primary topic for discussion. I invite all other Milford/Amherst Reps to join me.

Bill Belvin
State Representative
Hillsborough District 6
Milford/Amherst

Public Notice

The Amherst Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session at the Town Clerk's Office at the Amherst Town Hall on Tuesday, January 20, 2009 between 7 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. The session will be for correction of the checklist. Change in party registration will be accepted.

People in the News

Amherst Servicemen in Uniform



PVT Anthony F. DeMarco, of Amherst, recently completed his Basic Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina on January 30, 2009. During Basic Training, PVT DeMarco recieved his Expert Marksmanship Medal as he scored 39 of 40 targets. He is currently stationed at Fort Jackson where he will be completing his Advanced Individualized Training as in light vehicle mechanic.



Wendy Lazott, Ruth Whaland, and Judy Dunbar .

PHOTO BY ANNE KRANTZ

Ruth Whaland Mark 90th Year

Celebrating her 90th birthday, at the Congregational Church of Amherst-UCC, is Ruth Whaland, who stands on the altar with her daughter Judy Dunbar and granddaughter Wendy Lazott, next to the flowers placed there in her honor for the Sunday Service.

Mrs. Whaland lived in Amherst for more than fifty years and has been a long time, and active member of the CCA-UCC Women's Association. During her years in town, she lived in four homes, the last of

which was the house in which President Franklin Pierce was married. She was on the board of advisors to Governor Thompson, and contributed much to Amherst with her volunteer work and community activities. Her late husband Frank Whaland was an Amherst Selectman and served as the Insurance Commissioner for the State of NH. After the church service, the family celebrated with a dinner at the Mile Away Restaurant in Milford.

Candidates For Local Office

Running for two seats on the Board of Selectmen are Joe Esposito, Jim O'Mara, Linda Siwik and Bruce Bowler. For two seats on the Zoning Board of Adjustment: Douglas Kirkwood and Carl Miller. For Treasurer: Elizabeth Overholt. Trustee of the Trust Funds: Richard Kimball. Two seats on the Cemetery Trustees: Kevin Grassett and William Belvin. Two seats on the Li-

brary Trustees: David Hallenbeck, Richard Martini and Nancy Baker.

In the Amherst School District, Dwight Brew will run for a one year sat and Peter Maresco will run for the three year seat.

On the Souhegan Cooperative School District ballot, Jeannie Ludt and Lauren Ierardi are for one seat on the school board.

Local Resident Granted Patent

An aircraft in-flight runs the risk of being coated with a layer of ice as it flies through weather due to freezing on its surfaces of super cooled water droplets. It is important to know when icing is occurring because the deposited ice adds weight to the aircraft making it harder for the aircraft to maintain flight with the ice deposits also destroying some of the lift produced by the wing and effecting the operation of the aircraft's control surfaces as well.

US Patent 7,439,877 contains a number of improvements for aircraft ice detection not contained in previous patents including the ability to discriminate between ice, rain,

sleet, deicer fluid and snow contaminant layers on the aircraft, a means to identify whether the ice is heavier glaze ice or rime ice and a method that independently reconfirms that the contaminant layer is ice based on a signature exhibited by ice when excited electrically. The patented ice detector is fabricated from relatively inexpensive, miniature electronic chips and devices with all system components contained in a small, thin patch attached to an external surface of the aircraft. The patent is titled "Total Impedance and Complex Dielectric Property Ice Detection System" and was granted to Philip Jarvinen of Amherst.

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