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Music

The Nashua Chamber Orchestra’s June concert, features Mozart, Mendelssohn and Haydn plus the premiere of a new work commissioned for the Orchestra.

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Mont Vernon Gala

The weather was picture perfect for Mont Vernon’s Annual Spring Gala. “Aloha Mont Vernon” as captured by Earle Rich.

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SHARE Golf

The 1st Annual SHARE Golf Tournament to be held at the Souhegan Woods Golf Course in Amherst on June 22.

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Third Grade Colonial History Week in The Village



Walking to school down Boston Post Road: (L to R) Paige Karavas, Siri Warren, Ella Lowenberg, Emma Flynn. Turn to page 8 for story and more photos.

Silent Auction and Exhibit of

Art Archives of the Amherst Town Library

Gifts and Acquisitions from Over the Years

AMHERST – This unique exhibit will include works that are part of the library’s permanent collection as well as items up for bid in an ongoing silent auction. The exhibit and silent auction will be displayed throughout the main library and are open to the public during regular library hours. Bidding begins on Monday, June 1 and continues through Thursday, July 9 until 7:30PM. A reception will be held during the close of bidding on Thursday evening, July 9th from 6:00PM to 8:00PM. The public is invited to view the exhibit, speak with interested parties, make bids and enjoy refreshments.

Included in the exhibit will be the library’s collection of original and historically significant paintings, photographs, needlework, prints and reproductions. Many pieces which were given as gifts, were displayed in the library for years, while others were part of circulation service, which is no longer offered.



Examples of acquisitions to be auctioned off, June 1 through July 9.

This event is presented by The Friends of the Amherst Town Library, a volunteer group that provides supplementary services and supplies to the library. All proceeds from the silent auction will go to The Friends to help them continue their valued services.

Details will be posted on The Friends of the Library Art Show page on the library’s website at www.amherst.lib.nh.us. There will also be additional information available at the library during the exhibit.

BRIEFS

D.A.R. Annual Meeting

The Captain Josiah Crosby Chapter, D.A.R. will hold its annual meeting on June 1st, Monday, at the home of Mrs. Ronald Stillman, 4 Cobler Lane, Amherst. Following luncheon at noon officers will be elected for the coming year and activities for the coming year will be planned. For further information please call 673-7190.

Annual Student Art Show Continues at Town Library

Mark your calendars for one of the highlights of the spring – the annual Student Art Show – held during the month of May at the Amherst Town Library. This is a wonderful opportunity to get a glimpse of the high quality art projects our local students are producing under the able guidance of the Amherst and Souhegan School Districts’ art teachers. Each year the art teachers select a sample of art that represents the types of projects the students are working on, as well as examples of outstanding work, for the Friends of the Library to display. Last year we had more than 400 items on display, including watercolors, oils, pastels, photographs, pen and pencil drawings, furniture, fabric creations, collages, masks and sculptures. This year, for the first time, home schooled children’s art will also be on display.

The exhibit will be on display from May 10 to May 29.

AMHERST REPUBLICANS

Monthly Meeting
Saturday, June 6, 8:00 AM
Joey’s Diner, Route 101A, Amherst
It’s another edition of our monthly “tea party” and this month the discussion includes our preparations for the big Independence Day celebration in Amherst. Come join us for a lively discussion of the issues of the day.

For more information please visit www.amherstrepublicans.org

Wilkins School

First Grade Spring Music Concert



Elizabeth Powers under her puppy headress at the First Grade Spring Concert based on the book, “Go Dog. Go!” by P.D. Eastman.



First graders in puppy costumes sing and dance under the direction of Robert Allwarden. More photos appear on page 9.

Wilkins School

Literacy Week for Young Authors



These folders represent a year’s worth of literacy work by students.



Jonathan Snow and Paige Karavas looking over student work as part of Litercy Week at Wilkins School. More photos on page 9

Graduates from Amherst in the News

Hansen Accepts Medical Residency

Dr. Karyn J. Hansen a former Amherst resident and Milford Area Senior High School graduate, recently received her Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of South Carolina School of Medicine in Columbia, SC. Karyn received her BS degree in Microbiology from Clemson University in Clemson, SC in 1997, and her MS in Microbiology from the University of NH in Durham, in 2003.

Dr. Hansen has accepted a residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center in Pittsburgh, PA.



Dr. Karyn J. Hansen

Orr Receives Ph.D. in Astrophysics

Matthew R. Orr, previously of Amherst, received his Ph.D. in astrophysics from the University of Alabama in Huntsville on May 8. Matt is a 2000 graduate of Souhegan High School and a 2004 graduate of the University of New Hampshire in Durham where he earned a B.S. degree in physics. In 2006, Matt received a Master’s degree in physics from the University of Alabama in Huntsville. While at UAH, Matt had the honor of being named UAH’s first Curry Astrophysics Fellow by the Curry Foundation. In his third year at UAH, Matt received a NASA Space Grant Fellowship awarded through the Alabama Space Grant Consortium. Matt’s research while at UAH dealt with developing a technique to probe the universe for black holes, neutron stars and other astrophysical sources.

In 2007, Matt was inducted into the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, which is an all-discipline honor society, and the Sigma Pi Sigma Honor Society, which is the national Physics honor society.

In July, Matt will be starting a position as a post-doctoral associate at Iowa State University in Ames, IA. While there, he will be working with the VERITAS instrument, a series of four telescopes in southern Arizona used for very high energy gamma-ray astronomy. In addition, Mall will be contributing to the development of the next generation telescope, AGIS. He will also be spending some of his time in Arizona for maintenance and observation time on VERITAS.

Matt is the son of Scott and Katherine Orr of Amherst.



Matthew R. Orr

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