

Town News

AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY

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Sun, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

SUMMER HOURS

The library's summer hours will begin on June 13.
Mon. - Thurs. 9:30 am - 8:30 pm
Friday 9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
closed Sundays

Summer Reading Program

For over forty years, the Amherst Town Library has offered a summer reading program to help children maintain literacy skills during the summer and to create a love of reading as a leisure activity. Historically, this program has mainly drawn from the students at Clark and Wilkins. However, last year the scope of the program was expanded to include students at all levels and adults. The theme of this year's program is Release the Magic... Read! The program will run from June 22 to August 14 with a special finale on August 13—an End of Summer Cookout on the Town Green. Below you will find a brief overview of the program offerings. Children at Clark and Wilkins will be sent home with a detailed calendar of events in early June. For more information, please visit the library website www.amherst.lib.nh.us or call 673-2288.

Turn in your Reading Time!

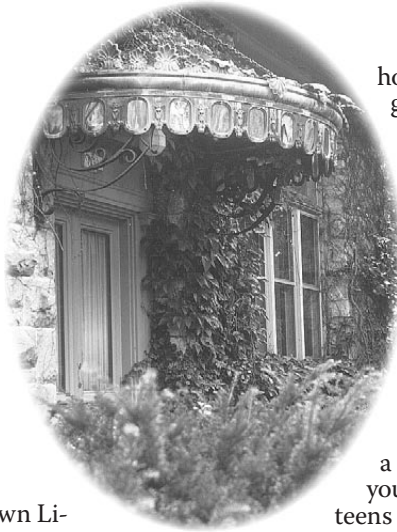
There are two weeks left of Summer Reading! All time must be turned in by Friday, August 14th at 5pm. If you want Miss Sue and Miss Jackie to get pies thrown in their faces, make a stop at the library part of your week. At time of print, the kids of Amherst have read 3,196 hours and the pie chart has 6 of 10 slices complete. Want to see the pies get thrown in person? Join us on the town green for the End of Summer Reading Cook-out!

Bravery Soup: Wednesday August 5th at 10:30

Join us in the Children's Room for a showing of Bravery Soup, a play performed by the Riverbend Youth Company based upon the book by Mary Ann Cocca-Leffler. No registration is required.

Cake Walk: Monday August 10th from 2:00-3:00

An old fashioned cake walk will take place in the Children's Room on Monday, August 10th. Bring one dessert (cake, cupcakes, cookies or such) for your family. We will play a fun game and the winners pick what dessert goes



home with their family. We will also give out prizes to the most delicious looking dessert, most creative, prettiest, best smelling and best kid-created dessert. Registration is required. Have fun creating your dessert!

Farmer's Market Storytime

Join Miss Jackie the second Thursday of every month for a fun family storytime. 3:30-4:00 on the Town Green. Weather permitting.

Summer Reading...

is just around the corner! We have a magical summer planned for you and your family. With programs for kids and teens and adults, there is something for everyone. Specific programming details are coming soon. If you want a sneak peek, check out our on-line calendar of events at www.amherst.lib.nh.us.

Scrapbooking 101- A Beginner's Class for Adults

Please join us at the Amherst Town Library on Tuesday, August 4, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. for "Scrapbooking 101." Scrapbooking is a creative and enjoyable way to preserve memories for oneself and others. But where do you start with your stacks and boxes full of photographs and mementos?

If you are feeling overwhelmed, or think you don't have time to scrapbook- think again! Sue Olsen, a Creative Memories Senior Consultant will offer the many options you have for organizing and finally doing something with those photos.

Please bring 4 - 6 photos of one special event for this hands-on activity.

To register for this special event, please call the Amherst Town Library at 673-2288, email library@amherst.lib.nh.us, or visit the Library's web site at http://www.amherst.lib.nh.us and click on the calendar icon labeled "Calendar of Events" on the homepage. All events at the Amherst Town Library are free and open to the public.

Email Notification @ The Amherst Town Library

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*Notify you when requested items are available for pick up at the library

*Send overdue notices to your inbox

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Amherst Town Library August Art Exhibit



The Amherst Town Library will exhibit JoAnn Kitchel's work from mid-July through August. "Fish Woman, The One That Got Away" is one of JoAnn Kitchel's favorite illustrations, which she created as a self promotional piece. JoAnn Kitchel is a freelance illustrator who works in watercolor and pen and ink. She has illustrated several children's books over the past decade, including an award winning series from Charlesbridge Publishing, the most recent of which are Bach's Goldberg Variations and Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue. Her subjects have ranged from light-hearted children's themes to sophisticated multicultural narratives. JoAnn received her B.A. in Art Education from Central Michigan University in 1989. Upon graduation,

she moved to the West Indies, where she taught art for nearly four years as a Peace Corps Volunteer. The rich West Indian landscape and culture played an invaluable role in the development of her artistic style.

The illustrator of over a dozen books for children, JoAnn also enjoys giving classroom presentations and sharing her stories and drawings with students. JoAnn's work has appeared in many publications including Highlights for Children, Ladybug Magazine, Cobblestone Publishing, Harper Collins and Chronicle Books. JoAnn lives in Mont Vernon with her husband, who is also an illustrator, and their two children.

To learn more about JoAnn, visit her web site at: www.joannkitchel.com

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Amherst Recreation Summer Programs

Summer has finally arrived and the Amherst Recreation Department wants to make sure that you get out and enjoy the weather! Send the kids to Hartshorn where they can get Wet & Wild; play Capture the Flag; or discover Air, Air Everywhere. Visit Baboosic Lake and spend some time at the beach without ever leaving Amherst. Bring the family to Water Country at a discount. There's lots of summer fun for everyone so don't miss out!

Hartshorn Summer Program 2009

Join us for the 20th season of the Hartshorn Summer Program. Programs are held at the Peabody Mill Environmental Center located at the end of Brook Road in Amherst. Classes are available for toddlers to adults.

Extended day options are available with before care 7:30am-9:00am and Hartshorn in the afternoon care 12:00-5:30pm. Below is only a sampling of classes we offer. Please visit www.amherstrec.org for a complete Hartshorn class list and pricing information.

Toddler in the Woods: Explore the woods, ponds and brooks around PMEC. Enjoy games, easy hikes, stories, and nature crafts. Topics will vary by week. Each toddler must be accompanied by an adult. Offered weekly on Wednesdays 9:30 -10:45am

Make & Take for Tots: Preschoolers will explore the arts through a different medium each week. Draw, paint, color, mold...get messy with your child! Create a nature themed art project to take home each week. Each toddler must be accompanied by an adult. Offered Weekly on Fridays 9:30-10:45am

Air, Air Everywhere: K & 1st Graders. Spend the week discovering what makes the air around us so amazing. Learn about air and wind using balloons, bubbles, paper airplanes, homemade miniature parachutes, and kites. 9am-12pm, August 10-14

Nighttime is for sleeping or is it?: K & 1st Graders. Ever wonder what critters come out at night or how they can see in the dark or even why is it dark? Spend a week exploring the wonders of the woods at night by day. Even if you are sometimes afraid of the dark meet some creatures who aren't. 9am-12pm, August 3-7

Nature's Inspirations: 2nd & 3rd Graders. Come experience art from art's original source "nature". There will be collections of natural curios to be used as subjects or in art crafts. During the week we will hike, draw, paint, construct, craft and wade in woodland streams (weather permitting). 9am-12pm, August 17-21

Wet & Wild: 2nd & 3rd Graders. Explore the different types of wetlands in the Joe English Conservation land and the wildlife that lives there. Make your own fishing poles and fish in our ponds. Crafts and water activities will give children who are magnetically attracted to wet and muddy places a week to remember. NOT FOR CHILDREN UNWILLING TO GET WET AND MUDDY EVERY DAY. 9am-12pm, August 3-7, Aug 10-14

Rock On!! 4th & 5th Graders. Learn about volcanoes, earthquakes and layers of the earth. In this geology class, we will hunt for rocks of different shapes, sizes and colors. With close investigation we will discuss details of these rocks and try to classify them according to their properties. 9am-12pm, Aug 3-7

Woodland Fairy Adventures: 4th & 5th Graders. Experience the abundance, beauty and mystery of the forest through observation, gathering and creativity. Using materials found and collected in nature, children will be guided and inspired to work together to design and build magical Fairy houses (in each of the morning sessions) and Fairy Furniture (in each of the afternoon sessions). Fairy lore, fairy art & a closing "Celebration Tea" will all be part of the fun at this enchanting, summer escapade. Come dressed in creative fairy clothing if you'd like! Sign up for the morning session, afternoon session or both sessions! Aug 17-21, Fairy Houses 9am-12pm, Fairy House Furniture 1-4pm

Backyard Mysteries: 6th, 7th & 8th Graders. A drawing/art/craft class that looks into the weird and unknown that lurks beneath our feet. What happens to these creatures during the day? Learn and re-create the patterns of nocturnal flora and fauna. 9am-12pm Aug 10-14

Capture the Flag, With a Twist: 6th, 7th & 8th Graders. Be one of three groups to build a shelter and a fort in a secret location. With other skills learned this week, hide a map with coordinates to your fort. Play Capture the Flag using a compass and camouflage. Plan rescue missions to save captured team mates! It is helpful to have taken an Outdoor Awareness Skills class prior to participating in this class. 9am-12pm Aug 10-14, Aug 17-21

Outdoor Survival - Learn to Return: 6th, 7th & 8th Graders. Advanced camp craft and wilderness survival. This program includes instruction in safety, shelter construction, trail cuisine, fire building, orientation skills, and animal tracking. Teach-

er will assess the skill level of the class and build on concepts learned in Outdoor Awareness Skills classes. All are welcome to attend whether or not they have attended Outdoor Awareness Skills. 9am-12am, Aug 10-14

Digital Nature Photography: 9th Graders through Adult. Spend the week learning all about digital photography and then head outside to practice what you have learned. Topics will include composition, exposure, focusing, lighting, camera equipment and more. Students will need to bring a camera (digital strongly preferred) and be able to operate it in point and shoot mode. Don't forget to bring enough film or memory and batteries! 1-4pm, August 10-14

Hartshorn in the Afternoon: Spend the afternoon in an idyllic setting exploring nature! Enjoy a relaxing lunch with friends before spending hours engaged in fun activities. This loosely structured afternoon adventure can include science and nature experiments, exploring the land and trails around PMEC, wading through brooks and streams, nature crafts, stories, games and more. Children will come home excited to share stories about fishing, collecting frogs and bugs, and making new friends. For 1st- 8th grade students 12:00-5:30PM

High School Students entering grades 9-12 are invited to volunteer in the Hartshorn Program to satisfy their Community Service requirement for graduation. This is an opportunity for students to engage in a new activity, interact with kids and teachers alike and perhaps learn something new about our environment. Available opportunities are listed at www.amherstrec.org. Click on Classes & Activities and scroll to the bottom of the page.

Summer at Baboosic Lake

Escape to the lake. Join us for a summer filled with activities that will teach you new skills and keep you cool at the same time. Bring the whole family for swimming lessons, a game of volleyball on our sand court, play on the play-scape, build sandcastles, enjoy lunch on our picnic tables under the canopy of the pines or just enjoy a warm summer day on the beach. The season closes on August 16th.

Amherst Town Beach Season Pass

Amherst Resident Family —\$90
Season Pass—Nonresident family - \$130
Daily Gate fee: \$2 per person (under 2 years free)

Beach Volleyball at Baboosic Lake!

Come play in the sand and enjoy a game of pick-up volleyball. A volleyball net has been installed on the beach and you can check out a beach volleyball from the gate staff during hours of operation

Discounted Tickets to Water Country

Experience the thrills for yourself! The Amherst Recreation Department has discounted general admission tickets to Water Country in Portsmouth, NH. General Admission tickets are available at the park for \$35.99 but can be purchased from Amherst Recreation for \$25. These tickets will be honored any day that Water Country is open, June 13th to Labor Day and they do not expire. Ticket includes all day unlimited use of all Water Country attractions.

Outdoor Adventure Week

This weekly program was developed to give kids an opportunity to try something, challenge themselves, see new sights, have an adventure and perhaps make a few new friends. The 5 day program will include a hike up Mt. Monadnock for lunch with a view, canoeing a local lake with fishing if they choose, a coastal sea kayaking tour, a trail hike in search of the perfect shot (with camera) and the final day will be decided by popular vote, either Canobie Lake Park or Water Country.

Who: Kids entering grades 6, 7 & 8
When: 8/3-7, 9:00am-3:00pm (may vary depending on the adventure)
Where: Depart from AMS
Fee: \$245 Resident, \$255 Nonresident

Youth Fall Soccer

Come out and join Recreation Soccer. Learn and develop passing, dribbling, and sportsmanship while having fun with your teammates. Participants usually practice one night a week and play their games on Saturday. Deadline for fall soccer registration is August 15th. Volunteers are needed to coach. Soccer screenings will be held again this year to determine the skill level of the players. The screening information will then be used to build teams. Visit www.amherstrec.org for more info.

Who: Kids ages 5-14
When: 9/5-10/24

Pre-registration is required for all programs. Register online at www.amherstrec.org, in person at the recreation office, or call us at 673-6248 or 672-1141.

We will be Closed for Summer Vacation: August 1st-10th



Free Patriots Tickets!
ENTER TO WIN FREE PATRIOTS TICKETS!

We're giving away 4 more Patriots tickets in our Anniversary Drawing to be held August 23rd.

Must be 21 years or older. One entry allowed per person per day. No purchase necessary. Winner will be notified. Certain restrictions apply.

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