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Letters

Pipeline controversy is heating up. Declining enrollments. What about the "rest" of Amherst?

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Library

The Great Boston Molasses Flood of 1919 and many other programs for adults and children are listed.

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Arts

All Beethoven program is a great entrée for the classical music novice, January 24 in Nashua.

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SportsFolio

Sabers basketball, indoor track, nordic and alpine teams are in the hunt.

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BRIEFS

FY16 Town and School Districts Public Hearing Dates:

TOWN OF AMHERST Bond & Budget Public Hearing - Monday, January 12, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT Public Hearing - January 14th 2015 at 6:00 p.m. to 9 p.m. at SHS Theatre

SOUHEGAN COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT Public Hearing - January 14th at 6:00 p.m. to 9 p.m. at SHS Theatre

MONT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT Public Hearing - January 15, 2015 at 6 p.m. at Mont Vernon Village School

Deliberative Sessions:

SOUHEGAN COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT - February 2, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at Souhegan High School Theatre

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT - February 3, 2015 at 6 p.m. at Souhegan High School Theatre

MONT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT - February 4, 2015 at 7 p.m. at MV Village School

Voting will be Tuesday, March 10, 2015, 6:00am - 8:00pm at Souhegan High School

TOWN OF 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, 2015, between 7:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. New voter registrations, additions and corrections to the checklist, and party changes may be made at this session.

If unsure of your current party affiliation, you may go online to check it at <http://cfs.sos.nh.gov/app/Public/PartyInfo.aspx> or check the paper checklists located at the Town Office or Town Library.

80s Night!

PTSA Scholarship Fundraiser

Saturday February 7, 2015

8pm-Midnight

Amherst Country Club, 72 Ponemah Road,

Amherst, NH 03031

\$20 per ticket *21+ ONLY

Amherst PTA Meets Wednesday

General Membership Meeting: Wednesday January 14 at Wilkins Elementary School in the library. Meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. Guest speaker, Craig Fraley, Rec Dept director, come to talk to us about all the new goings on at the Rec Dept. We are confident this will be interesting and educational!

Souhegan High School Blood Drive, January 16, 8am-2pm

The National Honor Society at Souhegan High School in partnership with the American Red Cross is hosting their annual Blood Drive on Friday, January 16th from 8-2 in the Souhegan High School Gym. All donors must be 17 years or older and bring with them a photo ID.

School and community members are welcome! We hope to see you there!

14th Annual Comedy Night with Silent Auction & Bake Sale is FIRST Robotics Fund Raiser

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 2015 7:00PM (SILENT AUCTION STARTS AT 6:30PM)

Featuring comedians Paul Nardizzi, Ryan Gartley and Jeff Koen. All proceeds support Souhegan High School F.I.R.S.T. Robotics Team 138 - Entropy www.robotics138.org

SOUHEGAN HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

TICKETS: \$15 IN ADVANCE. \$20 AT THE DOOR To purchase tickets, contact any F.I.R.S.T. Team 138 member or email themcguys@comcast.net

A New Annual Tradition

New Year's Day Pajama Run



In single digit temperatures on New Year's Day 2015, nearly 20 hearty soles joined organizer Dave Salvus on a "choose your own course" run through Amherst Village. See the video recording at www.amherstcitizen.com.

Amherst Town Library

Succeeding On Craigslist

AMHERST - The Amherst Town Library welcomes business and technology professional Greg Page presenting, "Succeeding on Craigslist," on Wednesday, January 21st from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. as part of the Library's series for adults entitled, Tackling Technology...and Winning. From a simple, low-tech e-mail distribution list created in San Francisco in 1995, Craigslist has grown to become a household name in more than 50 countries for people seeking jobs, information, and goods



Greg Page

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Facebook Workshop: Going Beyond Getting Started

AMHERST - The Amherst Town Library welcomes technology professional Kim Reddington presenting, "Facebook Workshop: Going Beyond Getting Started," on Wednesday, January 28th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. as part of the Library's series for adults entitled, Tackling Technology...and Winning.



Kim Reddington

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Gleason Indicted For Theft by Grand Jury

AMHERST - On Friday, January 2nd 2015 the Hillsborough County Grand Jurors for the state of New Hampshire handed down an indictment of Brian Gleason of Goffstown, the former director of Amherst Emergency Medical Services Department.

The indictment states that Mr. Gleason, "between July 2011 and July 2013 at Amherst did commit the crime of Theft by Unauthorized Taking, in that pursuant to a scheme and course of con-

duct, did obtain and exercise unauthorized control over the property of another with the purpose to deprive them thereof when he used a Town of Amherst credit card to purchase unauthorized items for personal use, the value of which exceeded \$1,500."

When the value of the property exceeds \$1,500 the crime is deemed a Class A Felony in accordance with New Hampshire law.

Mr. Gleason was hired by the Town of Amherst as di-

rector of EMS department in September of 2000. He resigned his position of director on July 30, 2014, terminating his employment with the Town of Amherst.

Town Administrator, James O'Mara said, "The indictment of Gleason for the crime of "unauthorized taking" does not define Amherst.

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Dwight Brew said, "You should know that this is an isolated incident. The discovery was

made during routine spot check of financial records. Further investigation was performed and we, the Selectmen, were notified of the outcome. The matter was immediately turned over to our police department for review and follow up. We are pleased that the checks and balances adopted and implemented a couple of years ago are working and we are continuously reviewing procedures to see where improvements can be made."

Amherst Town Library

Ella Fitzgerald, Queen Of Swing

AMHERST - The Amherst Town Library welcomes Nanette Perrotte in a multi-media presentation and performance, "Ella Fitzgerald, Queen of Swing," on Tuesday, February 3 at 7:00 p.m. as part of the Library's series for adults entitled, Hail to the Harlem Renaissance. This is the story of the singer that all other singers call the best, Ella Fitzgerald, who against impossible odds achieved fame as a Jazz singer by the age of seventeen. At that young age she found herself at the



Nanette Perrotte

heart of the Harlem Renaissance and American Jazz.

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Amherst Town Library

Hollywood Glamour Visit Planned to Boston's MFA



Joan Crawford suite of custom jewelry

AMHERST - The public is invited to join the Friends of the Amherst Library on Tuesday, January 27th as we visit the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. Presenting exhibits include, Hollywood Glamour focusing on the iconic style of sultry starlets of the period, including Gloria Swanson, Anna May Wong, Greta Garbo, Marlene Dietrich, Mae West, and Joan Crawford. Dramatic costumes created for the screen by famous designers such as Adrian,

Travis Banton, and Chanel and dazzling jewelry from makers of the era like Traber & Hoefler-Mauboussin and Paul Flato. Along with eye-catching gowns once worn by famous figures and the sparkling jewels that contributed to their allure from the MFA and private collections, photography by Edward Steichen along with period photographs, film stills, and film clips capture the style of the silver screen era.

- Cost: Bus & Driver Gratuity \$22
 - Entrance Fee: Member of the MFA \$0; Non Member \$20, Senior (65+) \$18
 - Check Payable to: Friends of the Amherst Library
 - Mail to: Jane Cosmo, 12 North Meadow Road, Amherst, NH 03031
 - Note: Please include your telephone and cell number
 - Depart: 8:30 a.m. - The Meeting Place, Amherst (Rte. 101), Return: 5:00 p.m.
- If you have any questions, please call Jane at 673-3192 or Jan at 673-8718.

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