Photographers Forum Camera Club's October meeting

Photographers Forum camera club's next meeting is Monday, October 5 at 7:15 p.m. at Bishop Guertin High School in Nashua. Come join us as nature photographer Bob Janules displays and discusses his photography which captures concrete and abstract patterns and textures in nature. He will also explore fractals and the visible connections between math and nature. We are an informal club offering opportunities to enhance photographic skills and meet people with similar interests. We meet on the first and third Mondays of the month. Dues are \$35 a year for individuals, \$60 for dual families and \$15 for full-time students. For more information go to www.photographersforum.org and www.facebook.com/photographersfo-

The Bookside Café Now Open At The Toadstool **Bookshop In Milford**

The Bookside Café at the Toadstool Bookshop in the Lorden Plaza Milford is now open. An intimate part of the bookstore, the café welcomes book browsers as well as those just looking for a quick cup of coffee, tea, or pastries or a more substantial breakfast or lunch. Breakfast is available Monday through Friday beginning at 8 am and Saturday at 9 am. The café closes at 4 pm.

DISCUSSION GROUP at TOADSTOOL BOOKSHOP

On the first Thursday of each month, the discussion group meets from 7PM to 8:30PM. We share ideas on philosophy, current affairs and familiar truths. For more information contact: Norah at 673 - 6948.

Nashaway Chapter of the NH Audubon Society

Program: El Paso TX and New Mexico Birding Hotspots

On Wednesday October 15, 2014 at 7pm, The Nashaway Chapter of NH Audubon will host Bill Gette, Sanctuary Director of Mass Audubon's Joppa Flats Education Center. Bill has led 8 birding trips to West Texas and New Mexico. He will showcase the diverse habitats and wildlife he has visited in the Chihuahuan Desert, and the oases of the desert formed by the Rio Grande and wetlands such as Bosque del Apache and high altitudes such as the Organ Mountains. This program takes place in the downstairs theater room of the Nashua Public Library and is free. Registration is not necessary. For more information, contact Richard Maloon 424-5621 or richard.maloon@att.net.

Field Trip: Great Bay, Newington, NH

On Saturday, October 18, 2014 from 7:30am to 3:30pm, the Nashaway Chapter of NH Audubon will visit Great Bay in Newington, NH, the largest inland saltwater bay on the east coast. We will be looking for wintering waterfowl and Bald Eagles. Bring binoculars and a scope if you have one, lunch and drink. Dress WARMLY. Trip is free and open to the public. Meet in Nashua at the Exit 7 Park & Ride, on the hill behind the Fireside Inn and Suites. To register or for directions to the destination, contact Richard Bielawski at 603-429-2537 or rbielawski@mac. com For more info about the Bay, go to http://www.greatbay.org/

Summerhill ~ Memory Café

Thursday, October 1st from 2-3 pm. Joshua Freitas author of "The Dementia Concept"

Mr. Freitas will discuss cutting edge, informative and practical approaches to interacting with individuals having Alzheimer's and related dementias. He will review dynamic concepts for caregivers to understand, connect and engage with this audience to allow them more independence in daily life. To RSVP, please call 603-924-6238 or email Perry at panable@summerhillal.com

Witches, Physicks, and Herbal Remedies – Monday October 19th

AMHERST – Please join the Historical Society of Amherst and Tracy Veillette for an exploration of common herbs that one would find in our forests, fields, and gardens, and how they have been used medicinally for centuries.

The program will take place at the Congregational Church of Amherst (Village Green) from 7:30 to 9:00 pm on Monday, October 19th.

been studying herbs and their me-

dicinal uses for the past six years. She uses herbs and food to prevent illness and to heal. Her program will discuss how these common plants can address a variety of ailments from the common cold and flu to stomach issues and skin is-

Tracy is a horticulturist who has

sues. This program is free and open to the public and refreshments will be served. Please join the Historical Society for this exciting event!

Bulletin Board Town News

Historic Amherst

Answers to Quiz on Amherst History

BY KATRINA HOLMAN

Here are the answers to the open-book test in my prior column (Sep. 2015, vol. 24 no.1, page

Chronological Order

Individual dates by themselves are usually just trivia, but if one doesn't know which events came before and after which other events, then it's hard to understand what shaped the development of a community and what sort of a place it was back in olden days. For context, it helps to know, for example, that the Declaration of Independence (which could be considered end of the Colonial era) was in 1776 and that the Civil War took place 1861-'65.

- Souhegan West was renamed Amherst when incorporated (1760).
- Hildreth Tavern at 18 Jones Road (opened 1760).
- Jonathan Smith Tavern at 3 Church Street (built & opened c. 1767).
- Amherst became shire town aka county seat (1769, court sessions & new registry of deeds begun 1771).
- County House used for jail (built 1772) at top of Old Jailhouse Road.
- Congregational Church which was also Town's 2d Meeting House (built 1771-1774).
- Regular stage coach to Boston (1792) [Amh Citzn 23 June 2015 p. 4, 6].
- Stone gaol for county (1793) at top of Old Jailhouse Road [Amh Citzn 26 Aug 2014 p. 4].
- Milford split from Amherst (1794).
- First newspaper printed in Amherst and Hillsborough county, Amherst Journal and New Hampshire Advertiser (1795).
- John Watson's first tavern at 1 Carriage Road (built & opened
- Hillsborough Bank (1806-1809/'10).
- Town's most famous native son was Horace Greelev, born



Jail: Bonus point if you iden-

tified Garrison House at 233

Boston Post Road as earliest jail

(and only one still standing); it

formerly was attached to Rob-

ert Read House across the street

at 232 BPR [Amh Citzn 24 June

2014, p. 1, suncatcher], which

would put it at or near the top of

Churches: Bonus point if you

identified 5 Foundry Street as

former Congregational vestry (c.

1824), although built in 1788 as

Taverns: By tavern, I mean a

building that served not only al-

coholic liquid refreshments but

also offered lodging for man &

beast (so an inn prior to Temper-

ance, about 1830). Besides those

in list above, there are others still

standing in Amherst, including

brick Capt. Eli Brown Mansion

at 40 Boston Post Road (head-

ing to Mont Vernon); and, head-

ing south from Amherst Vil-

lage, Ephraim French Tavern at

226 BPR; tavern at 244 BPR run

by Charles Eastman and others

(leased from Robert Means); Lt.

John Eaton Tavern at 344 BPR;

and Timothy Kendall-Daniel

Fletcher Tavern at 382 BPR [Amh

Citzn 13 Sep 2011 p. 4,7; 27 Sep 2011 p. 3, 4]. It's likely that the

house at 107 Ponemah Road was

Levi Adam's tavern in 1802, and

possibly Danforth's before him.

chronological list.

county courthouse.

(1811) in house still standing at 114 Horace Greeley Road.

- Town Hall, built as county courthouse (1823) [Amh Citzn 22 June 2010 p. 3, 4].
- Pauper Farm (established 1832) with alms house (burned 1892) [Amh Citzn 8 May 2012 p. 4,6].
- **Botanic Infirmary (opened** 1835) at 154 Amherst Street, in Hiram D. Leavitt House (built 1825) [Amh Citzn 27 Oct. 2009 p. 6].
- Unitarian/Universalist meeting house at 25A Middle Street (built 1835), became Baptist Church 1844.
- Methodist Church at 17 Middle Street (built 1839-'40); now historical museum.
- First train station, at Danforth's Corner in SW part of town (opened 1848) [Amh Citzn 12 May 2015 p. 4, 7].
- First public high school, in Brick School (1854) [Amh Citzn 13 Oct. 2009 p. 6].
- Congregational Chapel in present location on west side of Soldiers Monument Common (1858); now historical museum.
- Grand-style hotel in Village (1868-'76, burned).
- First hotel at lake, Baboosic House later called Point of Pines House (built 1873, burned 1939) [Amh Citzn 25 Aug 2015 p. 4].

Buildings Still Standing

2010 p. 1, 3.]

Soldiers' Monument: Amherst's statue of a Civil War soldier (completed in 1871) was a triplet or quad - his N.H. sibs stand in Claremont and Peterborough, copied after the memorial (1867) at Forest Hills Cemetery in Roxbury, Mass. The sculptor was Martin Milmore (1844-1883) of Boston, an Irish immigrant. [Amh Citzn 25 May

Shoemakers: Two Greek Revival style houses in Amherst Village were built by shoemaker Walter Lewis Stiles (1816-1875): the house at 6 Foundry Street in 1847 (bought land in 1846, first taxed on house in 1848) known as Samuel Eaton House after next owner; and the house at 25 Middle Street in 1852. [See Amh Citzn 10 April 2012 p. 4, 7 for other shoemakers in Amherst in 1850 and 1860.] The 18th century term for shoemaker was cordwainer; it was one of the earliest occupations in Amherst. One of the sons of the first minister, Rev. Daniel Wilkins, was a shoemaker. In 1767 Daniel Wilkins Jr. & Nathaniel Chever, both cordwainers, jointly bought the lot at 15 Mack Hill Road and built a shoe shop there (lot sold in 1771 to a tanner). The first owner of 11 Courthouse Road lot was cordwainer John Weston, who sold it to another shoemaker, Joseph Boutelle Jr.; their shop stood there 1793- '99. The first known occupant of the cape at 92 Bos-

shoemaker named Miles Farmer. **Blacksmiths:** Two houses known to have been built for a blacksmith are: 6 Courthouse Road (David McGregor Means House) built c. 1774 by/for J. Cumings and 118 Boston Post Road (George Kinson House) built c. 1832 by/for Kinson [Amh Citzn 28 May 2013 and 11 Nov. 2014 p. 4, 5]. The house at 2 Cross Street was originally a blacksmith shop. The first owner-oc-

ton Post Road, in 1816, was a

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DEPARTMENT ► New Park, Playground Slated continued from page 1

ren adds: "We see Joshua's Park as a double win—a place for children to play and a place for adults to garden, walk, and sit. It's the perfect community project, something for

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Amherst Land Trust board member and landscape architect Gordon Leedy has created a conceptual plan for the park. It preserves the farmland now worked by Tom Mitchell, adds a 10-place parking lot, fruit trees, and a playground well off the road in the shade of trees. Other details, and a color map, are on the park website, joshuaspark.org.

everyone.'

The park fundraising team has to date raised over \$200,000 in pledges. The "quiet phase" of the

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The Cozy Tea Cart Timber Post B & B

Monadnock Tent & Event

Creations by KatieBear

Charles David Hair Studio

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All-Ways Flowers

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campaign, which the team has been asking for behind-the-scenes "leadership" donations of \$10,000 to \$50,000 is ending. Wilkins and Warren have kicked off the public fundraising drive, building on tremendous momentum to date.

The Amherst Land Trust is a charitable tax-exempt organization charged with saving scenic, agricultural, and other undeveloped lands for future generations. The Amherst Community Foundation is also a charitable tax-exempt organization charged with raising funds for projects for the benefit of Amherst. Donations and pledges to Joshua's Park can be made to the Amherst Land

October 3rd

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Trips

Hobo Harvest Time Express Train Day Trip

This fall, we will be taking a day trip to Lincoln, NH during the peak of fall foliage season. Price includes round trip train ride, admission to the Hobo Harvest Festival activities, lunch, and transportation to and from the events.

Trip Details

Who: Adults and Families What: Hobo Harvest Time Express Train Day Trip w/lunch Where: Meet at Souhegan High School Parking lot When: October 3rd; 9am-5:30pm Fee: \$35R per child; \$39R per adult; \$45NR per child; \$49NR per

Sister Act Musical Comedy Day Trip

It is the feel-amazing musical comedy smash based on the hit 1992 film that will have audiences jumping to their feet! Join the Amherst Recreation Department as we travel to Beverly, MA to enjoy the play, Sister Act! Price includes round trip travel to and from the play, as well as the play admission. We will be stopping for lunch before showtime. Please bring additional money for lunch, as it is not included.

Trip Details Who: Adults 18+

What: Sister Act Performance When: Wednesday, November 4th Departure: 9:30 am from Walmart Parking lot, Amherst NH Return time: 6:30 pm (Walmart) Fee: \$59R; \$69NR- Includes roundtrip transportation and show

Pre-school Programming

Amherst Recreation Programs and Events

Preschool Playgroup

We would like to offer a brand new program to the town of Amherst! This FREE program will give preschool age students and parents a chance to get out of the house and play together. This is a great way to get preschoolers out and engaging with children their own age.

No Registration Required Who: Preschoolers and parents/ caregivers

What: Preschool Playgroup Where: Peabody Mill Environmental Center

When: Fridays 11am-Noon (starting 9/11/15) Fee: FREE

Tot Soccer

Our program is offered to 3 and 4 year olds who will be introduced to the basic building blocks of soccer including dribbling, passing and kicking skills through games and activities appropriate for their age group.

Youth Programming

Youth Tennis Lessons Who: Grades 1-8 What: Youth Tennis Lessons Where: Davis Lane Tennis Courts

When: Saturday mornings, 10/3-

(different times per age group) Fee: 25R; \$35NR Thursday Night Lights Ski/Snowboard Program Who: Grades 1-8 When: Thursdays 1/14-2/18 Where: Crotched Mountain

Time: Students return to Wilkins at Transportation: \$55

Cross Country Team

This program will emphasize on learning how to run cross country and include trail running. We have two new levels of running this year; the fitness level and the competitive level. The program is open to athletes ages 7-18.

Spanish Workshops (Beginner-Advanced)

Who: 1st-4th graders When: 7:55-8:25am Wednesdays and Thursdays 10/7-12/16 and 10/8-12/17

Where: Wilkins School, Classroom

After School Spanish at AMS Who: 5th-8th graders When: Wednesdays 10/7-12/16

2:30-3:30 Where: Amherst Middle School, Room TBD **New Sessions of Karate**

Who: Ages 4 and up (adult too!) What: Beg./int. Karate lessons Where: Amherst Karate Studio Fee: \$59 Please visit www. amherstrec.org for Schedule Options

Lego League

We have Lego leagues available for ages 6-12. Please visit amherstrec.org for more information.

Home school Science Programs

Home school science programs are now available for the 2015-2016 season. We have classes available from pre-K - age 15.

Customized Scout Programs

We offer a variety of naturalist-led programs that your girl or boy scout troop can schedule at your convenience. Call us at 673-1141 for more info or to schedule a program. Pricing varies depending on length of program and number of attendees.

Girl Scout Council of the Green & White Mountains Partnership Program

We are pleased to be sponsoring these activities for the benefit of the Girl Scouts served by the Girl Scout Council of the Green & White Mountains. Girl Scout Troops or individual scouts may register for these programs online at: http:// www.girlscoutsgwm.org or for information call 888-474-9686

Adult Programming

Trail Running 101

Are you a road runner who's tired dodging cars and road construction? Get off road and run the trails for a 4 week intro to Trail Running. Join George Bower and Amy Hull to learn about proper form, techniques, equipment and safety while running the beautiful trails at PMEC.

Who: Adults What: An introduction to Trail Run-

Where: We will meet at the trail head at the top of the parking lot at

66 Brook Road When: Sundays 8:00-9:30 am Oct 4th,11th,18th & 25th

True Potential

This program designed specifically for women will encompass nutrition, result-based workouts and mindfulness. Morning or evening options are available. Start the new school year off right! Registration is now open.

Fall Yoga for Adults

Amherst Recreation is fortunate to have Leslie Formby, certified Hatha Yoga Instructor, as our yoga teacher. She offers classes for preschoolers, teens and adults. Tuesdays Intermediate Yoga 9:00-10:15am at PMEC

Thursdays Gentle Yoga 10:00-11:15am at PMEC Please visit our website for more

registration information

Zumba Gold for Beginners Perfect for beginners and folks over 50...this is a "kinder, gentler Zumba"." Laugh! Dance! Love your Body! With no need to be perfect, this feels joyous...like dancing in your living room with all your "crazy" friends!

Please visit www.amherstrec.org for more information

Basket Making Workshop

Join NH Craftsman Artisan Ray Lagasse for a single 8-hour day and

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