

The curtain rises on "A Shutesbury Sampler" Tuesday, December 20 at 1:30 p.m.

at Shutesbury Elementary School -- and you are invited!

Every student in the school has a dancing, singing or speaking role in this colorful presentation about our town. Written by Jane Urban and Emily Samuels, and directed by Court Dorsey, the play covers Shutesbury history from "the beginning of the planet to the present day," according to Principal Bob Mahler. Rehearsals began in September, and staff, parents and other volunteers from our community have been busy working on sets, costumes, lights and music ever since. Financial support has been provided by the Parent Teacher Organization, a grant from New Salem Academy, and the Shutesbury 250th Anniversary Steering Committee.

There will be two performances, at 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Because the evening performance is expected to be Standing Room Only due to the presence of proud parents and siblings, **townspeople who are able to attend the afternoon matinee are strongly encouraged to do so.**

Stop by the conference room before or after each performance, where members of our committee will be on hand with Anniversary Parade Videos and "Always Cooler" tee shirts, caps, glasses and other commemorative items. You'll be able to scoop up last-minute gifts from the Friends of the Library, too!

So please plan to come, enjoy yourself, and celebrate our town as Shutesbury wraps up its very special 250th year.

Janis S. Gray, Co-chair, Shutesbury 250th Anniversary Steering Committee