The UMass Amherst Stroke Support Group will host a community event to raise awareness about stroke and aphasia on Wednesday, Aug. 31.

The group will be holding its annual Community Breakfast on Friday, Sept. 2 from 7:30 to 9 a.m. in the College of Nursing and Engineering Innovation.

UMass Amherst's Carbon Zero Project is ramping up with geothermal test well drilling. The project, which aims to reduce the university's carbon footprint 50% by 2032, will take a notable step forward this month with the testing of geothermal capacity in selected areas of campus.

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Marco Keiluweit and Baoshan Xing, professors in UMass Amherst's Department of Soil, Water and Environment, have co-edited an anthology of research on soil science and environmental science.

Sociology doctoral candidate Venus Green has received the Mellon Dissertation Fellowship. Green, who is advised by Moon-Kie Jung, professor of sociology, received the award to conduct research in New York, Pennsylvania, Washington, D.C. and Massachusetts for her dissertation, "Black Women Domestic Workers Within the Afterlife of Slavery."

Matthew Westgate, associate professor and director of wind studies at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, has been named chair of the UMass Amherst Department of Music and Dance.

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New study by UMass researchers examines microbiome diversity across primate release process and treatment continuity.

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UMass Amherst and Georgia Tech researchers 3D print first high-performance art additively manufactured materials, which could lead to higher-performance components for applications in aerospace, medicine, energy and other sectors.