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A Canoe Trip Up North

BY AGGIE AND SEAN MACY

A line on a map doesn't always translate to a real road on the earth. We knew it would be a long drive to Churchill Dam, but didn't expect our adventure to begin by trying to follow what looked like roads on our outdated *Gazetteer*.

In the Maine North Woods, roads belong to loggers. Roads drop into streams and signs and markers are scant. And then it got dark. After hours of banging along we pulled our big red Ford truck into a small field, one of the few grassy clearings we saw just off of one of these so called "roads." The time read 12:37 am. Sleeping bags were laid out on the tall grass and we settled in for the night. The early morning consisted of similar doing as the night before. The truck bumped along the ditches and potholes of Pinkham Road until we found our turn for Churchill.

After a few minutes of driving we discovered we had dead ended not at Churchill dam, our put-in for the trip, but at a cluster of log cabins bordering a stunning lake. We walked past the utility sheds full of gas cans, four wheelers, snow machines, and generators and knocked on the door of one of the cabins that had the most promise, and we were surprised to be greeted by an old couple, both in their pajamas.

The two Mainers welcomed us into their small home and we were led to a cozy kitchen with a large oak table. We laid out our *Maine Gazetteer* and explained our predicament; we had no idea where the heck we were. The man kindly pointed at his map (the lines were different from our map's) and explained to us that we were to take the first left then two rights and

another left. Easy, right? The couple asked us where we were from, and when we responded "Dublin, New Hampshire," the man pondered the name for a moment and

Maine to explore an unfamiliar river with no way to contact anyone but the chipmunks at our campsite?

We were striking out and we had not even seen the Allagash yet. But the directions held true and soon enough we approached a grassy clearing with a ranger



claimed that he remembered our town very well; back in the day he had visited the German restaurant, Gebauer's.

Just as we were about to leave they questioned our decision to paddle upstream. The two of us looked at each other with a mix of confusion and horror. What had we gotten ourselves into? It was late September, it had been a rainy end of the summer, which meant that the usually dry Allagash would have better-than-usual flow, but we also knew that we may not see another group. What kind of father brings his 13-year-old daughter into the middle of

cabin and a barn that is the Churchill Museum. And it was sunny and warm!

The ranger was friendly enough and in a very nice way he tried to give us some advice for navigating through rapids, follow the "V"s, the slick of clean current formed by water rushing through a gateway of two rocks. Come on, did we look that green? Probably. And he gave us good news! He had just opened up the dam, which would give us a nice ride through the first long set of rapids.

SEAN MACY is AGGIE MACY's father and their adventures are far from over.

Dublin Public Library

Tired of waiting for your favorite author to write another book? Summer is a wonderful time to try something new. During the month of July there will be displays of popular authors and books you might have missed.

BOOKS

Theft by Finding
by D. Sedaris

The Frozen Hours
by J. Shaara

Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine
by G. Honeyman

Come Sundown
by N. Roberts

No Middle Name
by L. Child

The Vanishing American Adult by B. Sasse

The Summer Reading Program begins Wednesday, July 5, at 10 am. Dublin Public Library's theme will be "Building Friendships." The program will provide a time to relax and listen to new stories and books, share thoughts, and then work on a craft while chatting with friends. A new craft will be offered each week. Learn about map making, mosaics, preparing a family dinner, and making collages that identify your interests. Making and sharing clay friendship bracelets and small books to tell our own stories are just

a few of the crafts that will be provided. We will sing a little and

Dublin Summer Playground Under Way

Summer fun began June 29, but it's not too late to sign up. Come on by the Dublin Consolidated School Monday through Friday from 9 am to 3 pm to check out what's happening!

Playground runs until August 9. Please email us at dublinplayground@yahoo.com with questions or suggestions.

play some cooperative games, the kind that end when you've had enough! We meet in the multi-purpose room and come upstairs for coloring, board games, and the chance to check out a book. The program is held Wednesdays from July 5 through August 9 at 10 am.

The puppets are coming Saturday morning, August 5!

FDPL Offers Ice Cream Social

On Wednesday, July 19, the Friends of the Dublin Public Library will host an annual Ice Cream Social at 6 pm on the lawn of the library. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy free Kimball's ice cream and great live music. The rain date is July 26.

Yankee Barn Sale: July 22

Stop in for great bargains, good food, and lots of fun.

Employees of Yankee Publishing Inc. and residents of the local area will be selling their attic treasures at the Yankee Field on Rte. 101, near Peter Pap Oriental Rugs, from 8 am to 1 pm, on Saturday, July 22.

Treasures come in all shapes and sizes at approximately 80 selling spaces. NH Gym Rats, a nonprofit youth basketball program focusing on skill development with participating players from throughout the Monadnock Region, will be running the refreshments booth as a fundraiser for their organization.

Parking is \$1 and entry into the parking area will be from Monument Road. Watch for signs.

In case of inclement weather, listen to local radio stations Saturday morning starting at 6:30 am. Rain date, Sunday, July 23.

For application forms, call 563-8111 before July 10 or stop in at the Yankee office.



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Report from the Planning Board

BY BRUCE SIMPSON

There is an old saying: "If you don't know where you are, it's hard to get to where you're going." This is why the Planning Board is in the process of working with the Southwest Regional Planning Commission (SWRPC) on a series of studies that need to be completed as part of the Master Plan process.

These studies (Population and Housing Analysis, Economic Activity, and Regional Context) are intended to give the Board a clear vision of both the status quo, and current and past trends to help us reach decisions about what the objectives of the Land Use update should be, and how those objectives can best be achieved.

Among the interesting facts in the Population and Housing chapter:

- Following a trend in the region, Dublin's population nearly doubled from 1970 to 1990, but growth since then has been slight, and the state Office of Energy and Planning projects that the town will have a smaller population in 2040 than it did in 2010.

- Our population density is about half of most the towns around us, with the exception of Harrisville.

- In the past few decades, the increase in the number of housing units has been roughly double the increase in population, as the trend is for fewer people living in each unit.

- Older people are becoming a larger share of our population: people between 50 and 70 are more than one-third of residents.

The Economic Activity Chapter looks at where Dubliners work, what types of

businesses are located here, our unemployment rate, and closes with a review of our current ordinance's rules as to business activity.

The Regional Context Chapter discusses Dublin as a part of the Monadnock Region with regard to population, housing, economic activity, transportation, and other issues, and notes a number of regional issues that affect us.

In addition to reviewing the data, we have spent considerable time analyzing the reasons behind these facts and trends, i.e., why did the population grow so much in the 1980s, then fall off sharply? What should be our response to an aging population? What is it about Dublin that makes us

different from other towns with regard to growth, business, housing, etc.?

We have posted draft versions of these studies on the Town website on the "Planning/ Other Documents" page. I urge you to look at them. They contain numerous charts and graphs that help make the information understandable. Note that these are currently draft copies in the process of revisions that we hope will make the information more focused and easier to understand.

Following completion of these chapters, we will address Natural Resources, Transportation, and Municipal Facilities, after which we should have a solid, objective analysis of where we are, so as to start drafting a plan for where we want to go.

BRUCE SIMPSON is chair of the Planning Board.

Exercising at the Gym

BY JUDY EDELKIND

Alan and I joined the Bond Wellness Center when it opened in 2000. At that time we got a free evaluation for membership and figured we couldn't go wrong. Since then we have stayed on as members, using the Center to different and expanding degrees each week.

The equipment rivals that at any gym. The facility is great; super clean and well-maintained, sauna and steam room, great showers – including towels – and helpful, friendly, and knowledgeable staff.

There is always someone around to help you with the equipment usage and a variety of equipment.

There are classes of interest in both pools, a lap pool and a super-heated exercise pool; and an exercise classroom – all free of charge once you join. Individual training is available for any number of workout methods – for an extra fee.

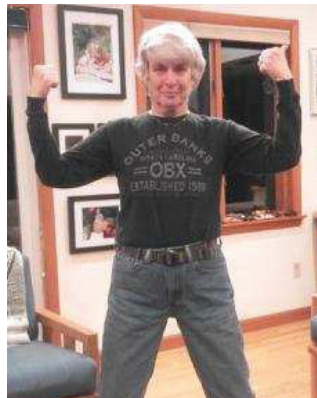
During the ice storm in 2008 the Wellness Center opened the shower rooms for the community.

Both of us have benefited from the availability of the BWC, and continue to use it frequently. The members at BWC have become social friends and it is a great place to find

new comradeship.

As the saying goes, "It is so much more than a gym."

JUDY AND ALAN EDELKIND live in Dublin.





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From Our School Board Representative

BY BERND FOECKING

I hope you are enjoying the spring as much as I am. A bit wet — but I am sure we are in for a great summer.

Summer is also where I would like to start for the monthly update. SMS and GBS will be offering a STEAM Summer Adventure Program (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) during four weeks this summer. This is a great offering for our students in grades 5 through 8.

The Dublin 5th Grade Committee met again and I saw the draft of a survey that

is included in this issue of the *Advocate*.

It seems to be an excellent tool to poll the general preferences within our community. So, please be sure to be on the lookout for it and to participate.

At the SAU and School Board level, we have continued our work on the financial and educational equity studies. We hope to be at a point of sharing toward the end of the summer.

The need for renovated lab space at our high school is another topic that has been explored in a number of different commit-

tees. This need has been known for many years and it is high time we did something about it. Such a renovation costs money; we will have to find ways to do this as cost effectively as possible while providing our students an appropriate space to learn.

The possibility of Nashua Community College opening a branch across from the high school might open new opportunities for our ATC (Applied Technology Center) students. I was able to attend a first informational session last month and the prospect is very promising. Until next month.

BERND FOECKING is Dublin's representative to the ConVal School Board, SAU 1.

Garden Club Awards Yankee Publishing

BY SARA TIMMONS

The Garden Club of Dublin awarded Yankee Publishing, Inc. (YPI) the Garden Club of America Club Civic Improvement Commendation.

Yankee Publishing is in the center of Dublin, and its old red building has grounds that have gotten lovelier as the years have progressed. Jamie Trowbridge, Yankee's president, accepted the commendation. He was accom-



Karen Bunch (L) awarded Jamie Trowbridge, Yankee Publishing Inc., with his important employees, Mike Caron facilities manager and Debbie Phillipson gardener.

panied by Debbie Phillipson and Mike Caron, who work on the Yankee gardens and facilities. Their expertise and creativity have produced wonderful results. The building is graced with planters, window boxes, flower beds, and the center of the parking lot is also attractively planted. When the traffic circle in front of Yankee was installed, a large perennial bed was planted next to it. All this serves to truly beautify Dublin's center.

SARA TIMMONS is Communications Chair of the Garden Club of Dublin.

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Lake Host Program at Dublin Lake

Boaters can clean, drain, and dry their boats after each use as precautionary measures.

BY BILL GOODWIN

The Lake Host Program is one of the efforts of the Dublin Conservation Commission to preserve the quality of Dublin Lake during the summer months. The program was created by the New Hampshire Lakes Association in 2002 to prevent the introduction and spread of exotic aquatic plants, including variable milfoil, in NH lakes.

From Friday, June 30, through Sunday, August 20, we will have two trained lake hosts working at the boat landing on the west side of Dublin Lake on weekends from 9 am to 5 pm. They will provide informational handouts regarding various invasive aquatic species, both plants and animals, and will conduct courtesy boat inspections. They will also encourage boaters to



Annie Garrett-Larsen



Jesse Garrett-Larsen

examine their boats, trailers, and equipment before entering and when leaving the lake to check for any plant "hitchhikers." The greatest concern we have is that unwanted aquatic species, usually plants, can be transferred to our lake from other lakes via boats and trailers.

One of the new initiatives recommended by NH Lakes is to encourage boaters to clean, drain, and dry their boats after each usage. This applies mostly to motor-powered boats, but also to any boat that is used for fishing

or is exposed to potential invasive species.

We have two young people hired as trained lake hosts: the brother and sister team of Jesse Garrett-Larsen and Annie Garrett-Larsen. They will report to Bill Goodwin. We encourage you to stop by and educate yourselves about the hazards of exotic aquatic plants and animals getting into our lake.

BILL GOODWIN is the Point Person for all Lake Host activity at Dublin Lake.

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Trust Fund Awards Three Students

Dublin Trustees of the Trust Fund Scholarships have been awarded to three students.

Anita Anable, daughter of Perry and Aylmer Given, will be a freshman at Wheelock College in Boston in the fall. Anita discovered her passion for teaching early in her high school career – and she has not wavered in that goal. One of her letters of recommendation said, "Whenever Anita sees a need, she imagines how she might be able to help, and then does it. At her very core, she sees all people as important."

Cully Colantino, son of Kirsten Colantino of Dublin and John Colantino of Peterborough, will attend Hobart College in New York in the fall. While at The Kiski School in Pennsylvania, Cully was a member of the Volunteer Club, which collectively accumulated more than 3,000 hours of community service. When he goes to college he plans to continue book-drive work for the Friends of the Oglala Lakota, the nonprofit founded by his grandmother, Nancy Cayford of Dublin.

Jesse Garrett-Larsen, who will be a junior at The College of Wooster in Ohio, has balanced a fine academic career with outreach activities beyond the campus: working with inmates at the local Juvenile Detention Center, co-writing a children's book on the subject of climate change, and securing a summer internship in Brazil to help local farmers find an alternative to raising invasive fish. Jesse is the son of Dawn and Jay Garrett-Larsen.

The Trustees of the Trust Fund Scholarships are given to students who excel in school and are also committed to civic engagement. These three students exemplify that combination.

The scholarship committee consists of Barbara Summers, Balmeet Kaur Khalsa, and Mary Loftis.

Yankee Barn Sale, Saturday, July 22

(Rain date July 23)

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Town of Nelson Celebrates Its 250th

BY RUSTY BASTEDO

On Saturday afternoon, July 8, from 3 to 5 pm, *Advocate* readers can visit nearby Nelson, for a celebratory Ice Cream Social and 250th Birthday Concert by the Nelson Town Band. More than 50 musicians, ranging in age from middle schoolers to retirees, play an ever-changing Nelson Town Band “book” whose music ranges from John Philip Sousa marches to “West Side Story” and “The Music Man.”

Formed in 1989, the Nelson Town Band has been directed since 2003 by Mrs. Donna Morse, a professional musician and educator, and since 2003 the NTB has doubled in size. Band members come from all over western New Hampshire to play an active summer-fall concert schedule.

Nelson has a history every bit as deep and interesting as Dublin's: In 1870 the Town of Nelson had five thousand sheep registered, and the town's name change from Packersfield honors the enormous improvement to the Cheshire County, New Hampshire, economy made by England's Viscount Horatio Nelson's great victory at Trafalgar in 1805. The town's public buildings are a visible testament to its history.

If you go, bring a chair and a blanket and enjoy the day. You will have a memorable experience, we guarantee it!

RUSTY BASTEDO, on the staff of the *Advocate*, is a musician in the Nelson Town Band.



Nelson Town Band

An American tradition of town marching bands has been a part of New Hampshire's Cheshire County town life since the Civil War (1861-65). Musician soldiers played their Union Army companies and regiments into battle during that great struggle, and friendships formed in battlefields were continued after the War by patriotic associations and veterans' groups. Parades and patriotic gatherings got new energy during America's 1876 centennial era, and later as America became a world power.

Friday, June 30: Harrisville Old Home Days, Brick Church, 5:30 pm

Tuesday, July 4: Greenfield (NH) Common, 6 pm

Saturday, July 8: Stoddard Old Home Day Parade, 10 am

Saturday July 8: Nelson Ice Cream Social, 3 pm

Friday, July 14: Swanzey/Richmond - Potash Bowl, 7 pm

Saturday, July 15: Swanzey Old Home Day Parade, 10 am

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July Events at the Hub

The Dublin Community Center is located at 1123 Main Street, Dublin. Drop in Monday or Wednesday mornings, call 563-8080, or visit www.dublincommunitycenter.org.

Artist of the Month

Mary Cornog of Nelson will be the featured artist for July. Mary's acrylic and mixed-media paintings display a variety of techniques and styles from impressionistic to realistic to abstract. Visible in her colorful works are motifs from

Petroglyph of a Horse by Mary Cornog



other artistic disciplines: woodworking, weaving, and music – as well as themes related to her appreciation of nature. Mary says, “Underlying all my artistic activities is the great pleasure I take in the creative process.” There will be a reception for the artist on Friday, July 7, from 5 to 7 pm. Light refreshments will be served.

Safety Series

The Dublin Police Department hosts the third session of the Summer Safety Series on Saturday, July 15, at 11:30 am. We will be discussing issues pertaining to

keeping your children safe online.

The seminar will be led by Corporal Mark Slavin of the Mont Vernon Police Department and member of the New Hampshire Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. The presentation will be followed by a meet and greet with department personnel and light refreshments. Call

Dublin Chief of Police Timothy J. Suokko at 563-8411 with questions.

Computer Lab Funding

Thanks to a NH Charitable Foundation grant through the Henry L. and Patricia J. Nielsen Fund, a computer lab will be established at the Center and be open to all residents in the Monadnock area during Monday and Wednesday morning open hours. It will be staffed by volunteers year-round. It will include a new youth program, Computer Science First Club/Coding for Kids later this year. The Center will partner with area schools to determine afterschool programming for Coding for Kids.

Forum on Publishing

Sarah Bauhan and Henry James of Bauhan Publishing in Peterborough will be the featured speakers at the July Forum on July 22, from 4:30 to 5:30 pm. Bauhan Publishing, founded by Sarah's father Bill Bauhan in 1959 (originally called Richard S. Smith and then Noone House), produces carefully designed and edited books on regional New England subjects in the areas of history, art, nature studies, and poetry. Sarah and Henry will discuss the history of the company and its long connection to the arts and letters and Dublin as well as describing its current vision. A variety of Bauhan books will be on display and for sale. Light refreshments will be served.

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Dubliners Out and About



Children and the Arts

Several schools from Dublin were well represented in the May 20 parade at Children and the Arts Day held in Peterborough. And Dublin's Fire and Rescue truck brought up the rear.

Dublin schoolchildren from DCS and Mountain Shadows also participated in the Memorial Day weekend NHD (New Hampshire Dance Institute) event held at the Redfern in Keene.





ABOVE: The rain held off during Dublin's Memorial Day Parade May 29 so townspeople could honor those who served our country. Thanks go to the Memorial Day Committee.

RIGHT: Mountain Shadows children practicing their NHD routine. Photo by Tim Conrow.

BELOW: Heather Stockwell was one of many artisans and collectors at the Dublin Market & Bazaar held June 10 and 11 on Cricket Hill Farm.



BELOW: Carl Webber sells his perennials and herbs Saturdays between the Dublin PO and the DGS. You can also find him Mondays at Monadnock Community Hospital Farmer's Market.



Arts Around the Region in July

As so often happens in these summer months, in addition to enjoying our hills and woods, lakes and streams, flowers and vegetables, there is the bounty that our region offers for our cultural pleasure: music and the arts, theater and dance, camps and classes, lectures and forums. This year is no exception.

Dubliners at Andy's

Family members and Dublin residents entertain us.

In its 47th year this summer, Andy's Summer Playhouse, an innovative summer youth theater in Wilton, produces original works performed by local artists ages eight to eighteen, with direction and mentoring by professional artists from New Hampshire and beyond.

Woody Stockwell enters his 7th season as an actor in the musical at Andy's, as well as being an apprentice for the mainstage production. He participates in play writing and film making.

Heather Stockwell, Woody's mother, is returning for her fourth season as property designer. She will also be offering a workshop on Mask-Making July 26.

Wyckham Avery, Heather's sister (and Woody's aunt), takes on the roles of writer

and director of the season's touring show called "The Amazing Adventures of Arianna Astronaut." A former "Andy's kid" herself, she returns to the theater for her second year on staff.

From July 20 to 29, the mainstage production "George/Melissa So Far" is about a young person facing gender issues.

"The Amazing Adventures of Arianna Astronaut," written and directed by Wyckham Avery, tours from July 25 through August 14. Arianna, who has autism, can escape inside her space helmet to planets and chat with her heroes, when the world around her gets overwhelming.

Last, a musical, "Posted!," with music by Duncan Pelletier, runs from August 10 through 19. In this play, Rebecca is confronted with the realities of making new friends in the halls of her new school as well as in the not-so-friendly realm of social media.

Amos Fortune Forum

Contributing to the intellectual life of our community.

The Amos Fortune Forum invites residents and friends of the Monadnock Region to hear notable speakers who welcome the opportunity to present their ideas on issues of public interest and importance on Friday evenings in July and August, at the historic Meeting House built in Jaffrey in 1775. Many speakers have family ties in the Monadnock and surrounding regions. The Forum opens again this summer for the 71st year, on Friday, July 7; it is free to the public (amosfortune.com).

On **July 7**, Stephen H. Gehlbach, MD, MPH, will speak on Another Kind of Plague, discussing epidemic diseases through our history.

On **July 14**, Emily Chetkowski and Applewood Highland Heather will speak about Saving the Newfoundland Ponies, which inhabited the rugged island of Newfoundland, Canada.

On **July 21**, Paul Hutchinson will discuss Emerson, Monadnock, and the Birth of the Summer Camp Movement, one of the most common shared experiences for American youth. It first took root in nineteenth-century New Hampshire.

On **July 28**, Ann McClellan will present on Tiny Trees, Big Stories, focusing on the awe-inspiring bonsai and penjing of the U.S. National Arboretum in Washington, DC. They played invaluable roles in international diplomacy and as instruments of presidential influence.

July at the Players

BY FRED LEVENTHAL

In a season featuring several controversial contemporary dramas, the Peterborough Players begins July with the acclaimed romantic comedy, *Constellations*, written by young British playwright Nick Payne. Widely

produced in the United States and England, including a Broadway run, *Constellations* received rave reviews from critics. A love story that traces a convoluted relationship, it explores parallel universes and alternatives in finding and losing love. This production will be performed July 5 through 16.

As a contrast to the emotionally stirring *The Whipping Man* (ending July 2) and *Constellations*, the Players' next production will be the classic

Arsenic and Old Lace, not seen at the Players since 1987. This uproarious comedy, about two spinster sisters who befriend lonely, elderly gentlemen by poisoning them with their home-brewed elderberry wine, has delighted theater and film audiences for decades. It will be performed July 19 through 30.

Performance times are Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 7:30 pm; Saturday at 8 pm; matinees Tuesday at 2 pm, and Sunday at 4 pm.

The Second Company's family production of *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day* continues on July 1, 7, 8, 12, 14, 21 and 22 at 10:30 am.

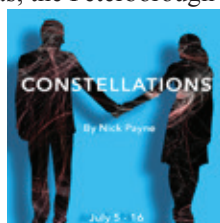
FRED LEVENTHAL is a Trustee of the Peterborough Players.

Monadnock Center for History and Culture

Come to learn about Dublin artist Abbott Thayer and his circle of students in the early 20th century on Wednesday, July 19, from 12 to 1 pm in Bass Hall at the Monadnock Center for History and Culture (19 Grove St., Peterborough).

Famous for his depictions of angels and of the landscape, Thayer was also a naturalist and teacher who was a central figure in the push to save Mount Monadnock from development. Thayer lived in Dublin from 1891 until his death in 1921. During his time in Dublin, he opened his home to selected students. In this talk, we will look at the work of his students Richard Meryman, Rockwell Kent, and Elizabeth Fuller.

Lunch is served at noon. Tickets \$15 (\$12 for members). Buy your tickets online at MonadnockCenter.org or call 924-3235.



At the Thorne

From June 3 through September 3 at the Thorne-Sagendorph Art Gallery is the 2017 Biennial Regional Juror's Choice Exhibition, "Abstracted/Obscured: de Kooning, Dombek, Hillsmith; Behind These Walls: Highlights from the Collection; and ColorCycle."

The Thorne-Sagendorph Art Gallery (www.keene.edu/tsag) is on the campus of Keene State College, Wyman Way, Keene, NH. Call 358-2731 for further details.

Lyceum Speakers in July

Mission: inform, engage, inspire.

The Monadnock Summer Lyceum presents world-class speakers on summer Sunday mornings in the historic Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Church. Enlightening presentations on social, political, educational, cultural, scientific, economic, environmental and artistic topics of our time enrich your summer.

Speakers begin at 11 am every Sunday. Come at 10:30 to enjoy a live music performance before the talk. The Lyceum is rebroadcast by NHPR on the following Sunday at 10 pm.

Wheelchair accessible. Devices for the

hearing impaired are available. Presentations are free; donations accepted. For further details, please visit www.monadnocklyceum.org

July 2: John Piotti on "Saving the Land that Sustains Us – and Other Steps Needed to Secure the Future of Farming"

July 9: Thomas D. Seeley on "Honey-bee Democracy: What Bees Can Teach Us About Collective Decision-Making"

July 16: Erica Armstrong Dunbar on "Never Caught: The Washingtons' Relentless Pursuit of Their Runaway Slave, Ona Judge"

July 23: Robert A. Weinberg on "Are We Curing Cancer?"

July 30: Barbara Reynolds on "My Life, My Love, My Legacy: The Story of Coretta Scott King"

At The Walden School

The Walden School, founded in 1972, is an acclaimed summer music school that emphasizes creativity and community through the study of musicianship, improvisation, choral singing, and composition. In residence at Dublin School, Walden's Young Musicians Program, for students ages 9 to 18, and the Creative Musicians Retreat, for adults, are in full swing.

Walden's Concert Series showcases free public performances by renowned artists and ensembles that work closely with program participants. All concerts take place at 7:30 pm in the Fountain Arts Building on the campus of Dublin School (unless otherwise noted).

Sunday, July 2: Josh Modney, violin works by J. S. Bach

Friday, July 7: Aurora Nealand & the Royal Roses (New Orleans jazz) Lawn seating

Friday, July 14: Splinter Reeds, Walden faculty

Friday, July 21: ICE (International Contemporary Ensemble). A community BBQ dinner precedes this concert at 6 pm, followed by the Young Musicians Program Open House at 6:45pm. No charge—simply RSVP to events@waldenschool.org or 603-563-8212.

Friday, July 29: The Walden School Players, featuring Composer-in-Residence Robert Kyr, whose Composer Presentation is the next day, Sunday, July 30.

On **Friday, August 4**, is The Walden School Choral Concert at 7:30 pm, held in All Saints' Church in Peterborough.

For more information about The Walden School, visit www.waldenschool.org.



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Baha'is to Host Speaker on Grenville Clark

On Sunday, August 13, at 3 pm, the Baha'is of the Monadnock Region welcome Dr. Augusto Lopez-Claros from the World Bank as speaker at its annual event at the Dublin Community Church. Dr. Lopez-Claros is an expert on the life and work of former notable Dublin resident

Grenville Clark. The talk, "World Peace Through World Law 60 Years Later: Was Grenville Clark a Visionary?," is the first in a new series of programs called 'Working for World Peace,' being offered free to the public by the Baha'i Faith.

We hope you will join us.

CVTC Takes On Challenge Grant

The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation offered a \$20,000 Challenge Grant to Community Volunteer Transportation Company (CVTC). With the expansion of CVTC's non-emergency medical transportation services from 13 to 33 towns in the Monadnock Region, our drivers impact the health, wellness, and independence for the passengers and volunteer drivers.

2017 projections indicate that volunteer drivers will log in over 125,000 miles,

serving close to 400 individuals and donate over 6,000 hours of their time.

Volunteer drivers drive their own vehicles, select trips based on their availability, and may opt in or out of receiving mileage reimbursement at \$0.41 per mile. Currently, there are 80 volunteer drivers.

For information, call 1-877-428-2882 or visit www.cvtc-nh.org.

CVTC is a Monadnock United Way Partner Agency.



Summer Hospice Volunteer Training

Hospice at HCS is offering a volunteer training program that begins on July 11 and continues on Tuesday evenings from 5 to 8 pm through August 22. Trainings are held at the HCS Peterborough office at 45 Main Street, Suite 316.

The training program is offered free of charge, but pre-registration is required. After the training, volunteers can assist hospice patients. Volunteers are members of the hospice care team, providing support to the patient and to family members.

To register, contact Lorraine Bishop,

Hospice at HCS Volunteer Coordinator at 532-8353 or lbishop@HCSservices.org.

HCS also offers Walk-in Wednesdays (July 5), a chance to receive individual advice from our staff members who specialize in home care, hospice, and advance care planning. It is free and off-the-record. Come on the first Wednesday of each month from 3 to 5 pm to the HCS office in Peterborough, 45 Main Street, Suite 316. HCS is a Monadnock United Way agency providing comfort, care, and support in southwest New Hampshire communities.

SD Students Benefit

A Dublin-based 501c3 nonprofit, Friends of the Oglala Lakota, has awarded its annual scholarships to eight graduating college-bound Lakota students.

The students live on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. The scholarships are not based simply on grades; instead, awards go to kids who are motivated to stay in school and who are in financial need. Each \$500 award is presented as a surprise at the school's awards night.

Friends of the Oglala Lakota promotes literacy by sending books to eight schools in the reservation during the school year, as well as to the hospital, clinics, and detention center, year-round.

Our appreciation goes out to the many Dublin donors whose support makes our programs possible.

NANCY CAYFORD is President of the Friends of the Oglala Lakota (www.lakotafriends.org).

July at The River Center

Join Adventure Girls on July 15 at The River Center, Vose Farm Road, Peterborough, for an engaging program providing pre-teen girls the opportunity to meet women who defy gender stereotypes.

Our Safe Sitter training offers life-saving skills to pre-teens, ages 10-14 years old; join us on July 25 at the Well School, from 9 am to 4 pm.

On July 22 and 29, parents of pre-teens may join us for Guiding Good Choices, a proven-effective alcohol- and substance-use prevention program.

Other family programs running this summer include Grandparents Parenting Grandchildren, Farm to Table, and more.

For details, visit www.rivercenter.us.



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The Common Merganser

BY TOM WARREN

In July and August, Dublin Lake is usually home to a family of Common Mergansers. It is a large duck that frequents large lakes and rivers in locations with large northern forests. Known as a Goosander in Eurasian countries, it is also called a saw bill, fish duck, and Sheldrake.

The Common Merganser is an indicator of a healthy lake system and Dublin Lake is annually recognized as one of the clearest lakes in northern New England.

About 90 percent of its diet is salmonid fish, which has caused its removal from some lakes. Young eat invertebrates until 12 days old at which point they switch to fish. Adults have gizzards with a teaspoon of gravel and fish bones to serve as grit. Frogs, crayfish, and insect larvae are also eaten.

The male has a greenish black head, white neck and underparts, black upper wings, gray back and tail and a scarlet-orange bill. The female has a rusty-brown head, white chin and slate gray breast.

It is usually the first waterfowl migrant to arrive in spring after ice out and the last to move south in the autumn.

Nest sites are holes in trees or nest boxes with the male playing no role in the selection. They prefer sites previously prepared by Pileated Woodpeckers, often broken tree limbs or hollow tops of trees. The female lines the nest on woodchips with her downy breast feathers. The nest is located from one to thirty meters above the ground.

Eggs are laid, one each day, usually in the morning: 9-12 eggs, sometimes

as many as 17. They hatch in 32 days, remain in the nest hole for two days, and then jump from the nest in quick order. If the nest is away from water, the female leads her ducklings to the lake or river, sometimes as much as a mile away. She may abandon her young before they can fly and the ducklings will often form groups.

Common Mergansers are subject to brood parasitism, where other ducks, usually Hooded Mergansers or Common Goldeneyes, lay their eggs in a Common Merganser nest. This accounts for the fact

that occasionally on Dublin Lake you can see 25 ducklings following a female Common Merganser. The record is 40 from a lake in Ontario.

Young ducklings are subject to predation by large fish, snapping turtles, mink, and otters. It is not a game species so hunting has little effect on the population of 600,000 to 1 million ducks.

TOM WARREN is Dublin's resident ornithologist and is a member of the Audubon Society.



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JULY 2017 Dublin Town Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
BOS Board of Selectmen DCA Dublin Christian Academy DCC Dublin Community Church DCS Dublin Consolidated School DPD Dublin Police Department DPL Dublin Public Library	DS Dublin School HUB Dublin Community Center (Open Mon & Weds 9-12) KSC Keene State College MRC Monadnock Rotary Club TH Town Hall					1 Fireworks at dusk, park along Rte. 101
2	3 HUB Coffee & Conversation 9-Noon; TH BOS 4 pm; Yankee Barn Sale applications until July 10	4 Independence Day	5 HUB Coffee & Conversation 9-Noon; DPL Summer Reading 10 am; DCC TwoHat Group 7 pm; HCS Walk in Wednesday, P'bro	6	7 HUB Art Opening 5-7 pm	8 Nelson 250th Concert & Social 3-5 pm
9	10 HUB Coffee & Conversation 9-Noon; TH BOS 4 pm	11 DCC MRC 7:30 am; DPL HillTop Group 6:45 pm	12 HUB Coffee & Conversation 9-Noon; DPL Summer Reading 10 am; DCC TwoHat Group 7 pm	13 HUB Lyme Support Group 6:30-8:30 pm	14 HUB Open Mic 7-9 pm	15 HUB DPD Safety Series 11:30 am
16	17 HUB Coffee & Conversation 9-Noon; TH BOS 4 pm	18 DCC MRC 7:30 am; HUB Community Lunch 12-1 pm; DPL HillTop Group 6:45 pm	19 HUB Coffee & Conversation 9-Noon; DPL Summer Reading 10 am; Ice Cream Social 6 pm (rain date 26th); DCC TwoHat Group 7 pm	20	21 HUB Ukelele 7 pm	22 HUB Community Forum 4:30-5:30 pm; Yankee Barn Sale 8 am-1 pm (rain date 23rd)
23	24 HUB Coffee & Conversation 9-Noon pm; TH BOS 4 pm	25 DCC MRC 7:30 am; DPL United Way 8:30 am; HillTop Group 6:45 pm	26 HUB Coffee & Conversation 9-Noon; DPL Summer Reading 10 am; DCC TwoHat Group 7 pm	27	28	29
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