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NHLTA Honors Adele Knight

BY CONNIE KIRWIN

On October 28, at the Dublin Public Library, the New Hampshire Library Trustee Association (NHLTA) honored Adele Knight with the Dorothy M. Little award, which is presented to an individual who "has demonstrated sustained,

extraordinary public library advocacy and activism on a local, regional and state level."

Adele served on the board of the Dublin Public Library for more than 23 years, and previous to that was on the Library Planning Committee. She initiated a regional trustee networking group in the Monadnock area 12 years ago and has kept it going ever since.

During her service on the NHLTA board, Adele demonstrated her collabora-



tive, inclusive leadership style and inspired the NHLTA to expand its membership services, including educational programming and advocacy efforts. She was the key link to the NH Center for Non-Profits, NHLA, NHMA, and the NH State Library during her years on the NHTLA

Board. Adele also became a low-key but effective advocate, testifying at State Legislative hearings when needed and serving as the Association spokesperson during her tenure as President.

The Dorothy M. Little Award is rarely given, making it a true honor for an individual to merit such recognition. We cannot think of anyone more deserving than Adele Knight.

CONNIE KIRWIN of Antrim writes on behalf of the NHLTA Board of Directors.

Update from the ConComm

BY TRACEYMAY KALVAITIS

The Dublin Conservation Commission and the Dublin Community Center cosponsored the Well Water Testing effort held between October 11 and 22.

In sum, 220 bottles of Dublin water will be analyzed at the state lab over the next two weeks to measure the presence, or absence, of copper, lead, nitrates, nitrites, harmful bacteria, radon, and arsenic in the samples dropped off by 43 Dublin

Home for the weekend from her first year at the Wheelock College of Education and Human Development of Boston University, Anita Anable assists Traceymay Kalvaitis on October 22 by collecting water samples from residents like Jerry Bird who wish to test the quality of the water in their taps. The collection, organized by the Dublin Conservation Commission, was preceded by an informational night held at the Hub October 11. residents who returned the test kits to the Dublin Community Center.

Members of the Conservation Commission tightened lids and stored samples in the refrigerator. The following morning,



Harris Center Offers Two Dublin Hikes

The Monadnock-Sunapee Greenway

Join Harris Center volunteer trip leaders Rich Taylor and Lee Baker for a moderately strenuous, 4.5-mile hike from

Howe Reservoir to Stone Pond and back along the



Monadnock-Sunapee Greenway on Friday, November 3. Bring lunch and meet at 10 am at the pulloff on the south side of Route 101 at Howe Reservoir in Dublin. We will be back by 3 pm. For details, contact Rich at 827-4105 or Lee at 525-5262.

Full Moon Walk at the Rotary Park

B ring your sense of adventure as we amble along the edge of the water and woods, listening to the sounds of a late autumn night under the light of the Beaver Moon — a perfect way to spend a Saturday night with family! Meet Saturday, November 4, at 6:30 pm at the Dublin Rotary Park entrance near Howe Reservoir, off Route 101 in Dublin. Back by 8 pm. For details, contact the Harris Center's Susie Spikol Faber at (603) 525-3394 or spikol@harriscenter.org.

the samples were transported to the lab in Concord. Costs of testing range in price from \$20 for radon only, to \$105, which covers all the items listed above, plus pH.

Results will be returned by mail and all results are confidential. The Department of Environmental Services will send a summary of general test results that are not correlated to specific wells, and that information will be included in a future *Dublin Advocate*.

The Conservation Commission is planning future water-testing opportunities for those who prefer this do-it-yourself alternative.

TRACEYMAY KALVAITIS is a member of the Dublin Conservation Commission.

Dublin Public Library

We just finished visiting with old friends from Mitford, NC: It was so great to reconnect with Father Tim Kavanagh and Cynthia, Dooley and Lace, and all the other folks in Mitford. Look for author Jan Karon's new book

BOOKS

The TB12 Method by T. Brady Little Fires Everywhere by C. Ng The Vengeance of Mothers by J. Fergus This is How It Begins by J. Dempsey Map of the Heart by S. Wiggs Trace by A. Mayor Finish by J. Acuff Sleeping Beauties by S. King

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Trees can tell stories, as in *Wishtree* by K. Applegate. This book tells about the life of an oak tree named Red, and the people/ creatures who communicated with him by tying their wishes to his branches.

Some wonderful books given to the library by the Garden Club of Dublin are *Bonsai and Penjing* by A. McClellan, *Onward and Upward in the Garden* by K. White, and *The Boston Globe Illustrated New England Gardening Almanac* by C. Stocker.

Story Time: November brings shorter days and much cooler weather. We will read *It is Night* by Phyllis Rowand and *The*

Dublin Public Library Trustees: Gail Bartlett, Nancy Cayford, Connie Cerroni, Willard Goodwin (chair), Bill Gurney, Jane Holmes, Celeste Snitko, Bethe Walker. Alternates, Rusty Bastedo, Marty Smith. *Moon's Almost Here* by Patricia MacLachlan on November 1. Both books should make little ones feel more comfortable about the dark. The cold and frost also change the appearance of the trees and the animals we enjoy watching. We will explore the water cycle and ice and snow formation on November 8 and read *Fletcher and the Falling Leaves* by Julia Rawlinson. We will focus on kindness and giving to others during the remainder of the month. "Scents of the Season" will begin November 29 and continue into December. A different craft is offered each week and refreshments are served.

Book Buddies: This is a new after-school program, every Tuesday from 3:30 to 4:30. The children will be greeted at the library with an afternoon snack and will have time to relax while a story is read aloud. Children are then encouraged to do a craft that relates to the topic, such as panda bears and what puts an animal on the endangered species list, and spiders and their intricate webs in the book *Sophie's Masterpiece*. Reading a chapter book keeps the children excited about coming the following week. Everyone in the Book Buddies group will have a chance to take home Beckett the panda bear. The children can read to Beckett and write something about his adventure away from the library. In the spirit of helping others, we will make small holiday gifts throughout November and mail them to a worthy organization.

And on Wednesday, November 29, at 6:30 pm, the library will host an evening event for adults — an opportunity to relax, chat with friends, and create something special. Please ask for details at the front desk. All materials will be provided for the project and tea and cookies will be served.

Trick or Treat/Trunk or Treat: Tuesday, Oct. 31, 5:30–7:30 pm



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Opera Director to Make Presentation to FDPL

Ben Robinson, artistic director of Raylynmor Opera, will be previewing the Raylynmor's new production at the Dublin Public Library on November 4 at 10 am. The production is a whimsical mashup of *Bon Appetit!* by Lee Hoiby, a one-woman opera about Julia Child, and the classic opera *Hansel and Gretel* by Englebert Humperdinck.



The production will be an immersive experience with sound, smell, taste, and touch. The staging will be in the round to provide a more intimate experience for the audience. The production will be at the Dublin School's Fountain Arts Building November 17 (7 pm) and November 19 (2 pm).

Ben's preview is following up on his very popular preview last year of the Opera's production of *Amahl and the Night Visitors* with Tom Martin. Tom will be joining Ben again this year as he discusses his approach to creating operas that reach out to new audiences and provide a unique way to view opera.

Raylynmor Opera was founded in 1995 and is the Monadnock Region's only company dedicated to performing live opera year-round.

If you have any questions about this event, please contact the Friends of the Dublin Public Library at dublin.library. nh@gmail.com.

Freeman Discusses Firefighting

BY BILL GURNEY

Andy Freeman was the speaker at the Monadnock Rotary Club's meeting October 17. As many know, he and his wife, Michelle, own and run the Dublin General Store. Dale Gabel, who introduced Andy, noted that since they purchased the store 16 years ago the DGS has served as the major gathering place for community members.

Andy is also a volunteer fireman and serves as a Lieutenant on the Dublin Fire Department. He is certified to fight forest fires, airport fires, and perform water rescues. He has traveled extensively across the U.S. and Canada in his role as "Squad Boss" leading a small group of fellow firefighters working to slow the spread of the fire by clearing flammable trees and vegetation in the path of fires. Andy brought the fire-retardant clothing used on the front lines and offered the following information:

- In an average year, 6 million acres of forest will burn in the USA. So far this year, more than 9 million acres have burned.
- The equipment carried by each fire fighter weighs 50 pounds and includes tools for clearing brush and trees.
- About 65% of the cost of fighting forest fires is for helicopters and planes to spread fire retardants.
- Assignments usually last for two weeks and consist of 16-hour days on the frontlines of the blaze.
- This summer, members of the New Hampshire crew have fought fires within the state, and in Montana, Colorado, West Virginia, and British Columbia.



• Recruiting new crew members is difficult given the training, physical requirements, and time commitment.

Andy said the work is challenging but rewarding in terms of camaraderie among the crew members and the satisfaction in limiting the damage of the fires to homes, forests, and wildlife. He also noted that encroachment of forest land by new housing developments has made the work more challenging by changing the way forest fires are now fought.

BILL GURNEY is president this year of the Monadnock Rotary Club, which meets Tuesday mornings at the Dublin Community Church. All are welcome.

Swop Now, Not Later

The Swop Shop is chock full of interesting items! Shop now because the Swop Shop closes for the winter at the end of Saturday, November 25. We will open again on Saturday, April 7.

The Swap Shop volunteers are Jane Holmes, Nancy Nolan, Rosemary Mack, Jane Simpson, Leslie Whone, Bill Jerzyk, Sally Fellows, and Nikki Tatro.



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Update from the School Board

BY BERND FOECKING

Budget season has begun, and the SAU and the School Board are starting to look at how best to allocate funds to make educationally sound and fiscally responsible decisions with our tax dollars. We had an informative meeting with a number of selectmen from the district's towns. The superintendent, Ms. Saunders, was able to provide some background information on cost increase per student and possible factors contributing to this.

I have had some communications from some Dublin residents who are rightfully concerned about the tax burden and its impact on our community.

Over the past ten years, there is been an increase in the need for special services to meet the needs of all students, especially those who are functioning below grade level. This is the result of many factors, including financial instability - as evidenced by the rise in the number of ConVal students eligible for free and reduced lunch. The cost per student in the ConVal district is right around the median for the state. We are receiving only a fraction of the cost for the education of our students from the state. At the same time, there is an ever-increasing demand to meet educational criteria. Just now, the state decided to reduce future stabilization funds by 4% per annum.

As I reported last month, we just received initial ideas from the district administrators on reconfiguration and reorganization, and the models are now being looked at in detail by the Strategic Plan Committee. At some point, we may present a model for a vote that will have the potential for substantial cost savings. When that happens, it will be up to the voters to make that choice.

The numbers for kindergarten and first grade enrollment this year seem to show an upward trend from recent years. I hope that our town will be able to attract more young families so that we use our school to capacity, share the tax burden for the cost of our school district, and set our town up for a prosperous future. If we don't succeed there, we will continue to face the dilemma of increasing costs carried by a shrinking number of citizens.

Last year, the district was fortunate to give back almost one million dollars to the towns. This was largely done through cost savings related to a new health care plan for district employees. As I predicted last December, we will not have that ability this year, and I foresee that we will have to present a budget with a moderate cost increase. BERND FOECKING is Dublin's representative to the ConVal School Board, SAU 1.



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News from DCS

BY NICOLE PEASE

O ctober tends to be a busy month and this year was no different. On October 13 we had our annual apple picking field trip; this year we went to Alyson's Orchard in Walpole. The trip was filled with fun, including a wagon ride, and of course, apple picking. Many of the apples were used to make applesauce and other savory treats for the DCS Harvest Supper held on October 20. The 3rd and 4th grade class prepared soups for this event from vegetables harvested from the DCS gardens. Combining the Harvest Supper with the Open House resulted in a special evening with many of our families.

We have embarked upon a wonderful community connection between the Monadnock Rotary Club, the Harris Center, and DCS. Late October included some preparation at DCS and a field trip to the Dublin Rotary Park to engage in some scientific studies, including mapping and experiments. This endeavor was the wonderful culmination of a year of planning.

We also participated in the fall Walk to School Day in late October, which was a great opportunity to put our new sidewalks to good use. Of course, we rounded out the month with the annual Halloween Parade up to the Yankee parking lot. Thanks to all the community members for making this such a special treat for our schoolchildren.

November will bring many events, but not on the same busy level as October. The first quarter of the school year ends on November 3. Parent conferences will be held the week of Thanksgiving.

We have the pleasure of a return visit from Troy Wunderle and the Circus Resi-



dency the week of November 13 through 17, with an evening performance on Friday, November 17, at 6 pm, to which all are invited. This program is brought to DCS by Jeannie Connolly with the SAU 1 Arts Enrichment Program and is supported by the DCS Parent-Teacher Organization as

DCA Homecoming

BY AUDRA MAHER

Dublin Christian Academy's annual homecoming was a great success. We enjoyed connecting with DCA graduates and watching friendly soccer and volleyball games between our students and alumni.

As class fundraisers, our students prepared homemade potato chips, chocolate chip cookies, Mrs. Mitchell's mac n' cheese, and more.

For the senior auction, students and teachers bid on each of our seniors, after well as the Dublin Community Foundation.

We hope you have a wonderful holiday filled with family, food, and fun! If you ever want to see what is going on at our school, please do so; just call first.

NICOLE PEASE is Principal of Dublin Consolidated School.

which the seniors would do whatever their bidder asked of them on a particular school day.

Overall, it was a fun-filled day and we are already making plans for next year's homecoming.

AUDRA MAHER is a graphic designer and art teacher at Dublin Christian Academy.







NOVEMBER 2017

Music Man Extraordinaire

BY RAMONA BRANCH

Music man definition: someone who composes, performs, teaches, and sings music. That pretty much sums up Volkert Volkersz, the Dublin Community Center's new Program Coordinator. Where music is concerned Volkert has it covered, and now Dublin area residents will benefit from Volkert's lifelong commitment to

music and education. A new Peterborough resident, Volk-

ert began his new DubHub assignment October 2. He has lots of ideas for fun and meaningful community events.

One of his first ideas, which has already started, is doing a "First Friday Open Stage." Volkert reports that DCC had 30 people attending this first event on October 6. He will be the featured performer with his new band, The Walking Antiques, on First Friday Open Stage November 3, performing songs he has written.

He said he has also begun to talk with local musicians about the possibility of



hosting a tribute concert to the American folk music revival, emphasizing folk songs from the '40s through the early '60s. He adds that the center is also planning to start an after-school Computer Coding Club for local elementary students.

Volkert's bio reveals a renaissance man: high school and elementary librarian, elementary school music teacher, advisor for high school literary magazine, coordinator for school music club, songwriter/ singer, and musical director of youth and church choirs.

As a musician Volkert plays guitar, piano, octave-mandolin, harmonica, auto harp and mountain dulcimer. He enjoys planning musical events that have included hootenannies, benefit concerts, and tributes. For ten years, he performed Celtic music (guitar and bouzouki) in a duo called "Blue and Green." As a composer/ musician /singer Volkert performs at open mics and recently performed some of his own compositions at the Keene Farmer's Market and Granite Roots Brewing in Troy.

Born in Amsterdam, Volkert's parents moved the family to the Seattle when he was 3 years old. His wife, Sandi, is from Peterborough and when Volkert retired in 2016 they moved to New Hampshire to be near grandchildren.

In reflecting on Dublin and his new position, Volkert said, "I have been intrigued by the depth of artists that have lived in Dublin and their place in history. The whole area has a very creative vibe. The Dublin Community Center Board of Directors is a very active board with a real sense of teamwork and cooperation. I am looking forward to meeting more Dublin folks and coordinating new events that will be of interest to our community."

RAMONA BRANCH is on the staff of the *Advocate* and is a singer herself.



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Report from the Dublin Broadband Committee

BY CAROLE MUNROE

A fter evaluating responses to the Broadband Study RFP issued in June, the Select Board awarded the agreement to Tilson Technologies to conduct a Broadband Study for the Town of Dublin. This study will evaluate the availability of broadband services



and provide broadband strategy recommendations to improve the availability of broadband services to all premises.

To begin this process, Christopher Campbell, Director of Broadband Energy and Consulting from Tilson, met with members of the Broadband Committee and the Dublin community in an informational meeting on October 11, 2017, to which the public was invited. The purpose of the meeting was to explore the current state of broadband in Dublin, clarify the Town goals for broadband service levels, and confirm the outcomes that the Town would like to see for broadband availability.

Residents attending the meeting were very candid about their level of service or lack of service. Current providers are not able to deliver consistently reliable broadband to all premises in town at the FCC definition of broadband, which is a minimum of 25 Mbps download and 3 Mbps upload speeds. With few exceptions, these speeds are not available using DSL. Larger entities in town, such as Yankee Publishing and Dublin School, have an optical fiber connection to the existing provider in order to obtain the necessary speed and capacity to conduct business. Although this is an available option for all businesses, the monthly costs and installation cost can be prohibitive for a small business. Unreliability, slow speeds, inconsistent speeds, inconsistent availability, sporadic outages, and limited options were common issues with the existing providers.

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After significant discussion, goals for broadband services in Town were identified as, first – the highest reliability network, fol-

lowed by adequate broadband for today (FCC definition) and for tomorrow, serving all premises in Dublin, and at a reasonable cost to the resident or business.

Broadband is essential for our community. The lack of modernday broadband is limiting economic growth, negatively impacting property values and sales, and limiting educational, business, and recreational activity. This study will assist us in determining the next steps to take to vastly improve service in town.

CAROLE MONROE, a member of Dublin's Broadband Committee, is CEO of ValleyNet in Royalton, VT, which is the operating company for the East Central Vermont Telecommunications District (ECFiber). ECFiber provides the fiber to the home (FTTH) internet solution for 24 towns in east central Vermont.

Daylight Saving Time Ends: Fall Back to Winter Time

When local daylight time is about to reach Sunday, November 5, at 2 am, clocks are turned back one hour to Sunday, November 5, 1 am, local time.

Sunrise and sunset will thus be about one hour earlier on November 5 than the day before, allowing more morning light during the winter months.





Events at the Hub in November

November's Artist

Three Watercolor Series Over Time, an exhibit of paintings by Francelia Mason Clark, will be featured November 1 through 15, with an opening reception



Friday, November 3, from 5 to 7 pm. The public is invited to attend

Francelia Mason Clark has loved the Monadnock Region ever since she can remember. She grew

up summers at Lake Nubanusit - deep in

the woods. She has always loved to write and draw.

College and graduate school took her into book editing, then to a career in teaching writing and medieval literatures at the University of Michigan. When she married Walter Clark, another college teacher and summer person, they added a month in Wolfeboro to the month in Hancock, a pleasure they share with their daughter, Alison. In retirement, Francelia has focused on conservation, animals, and seeing the places she loves through developing art at the Sharon Arts Center, which soon led her to watercolor celebrations of her surroundings.

Now she regularly exhibits her watercolors in the Monadnock Region. One of her subjects is her own Haflinger trail pony, who in turn is a feature of her book currently in production, *Circle Around Monadnock*.

These painting subjects – the water, the land, the animals – are the focus of this exhibit.



Two New Open Stages

The first of two DubHub Open Stage events is on Friday, November 3, where the new DubHub program director Volkert Volkersz and his band, The Walking Antiques, will play folk, blues, and Americana music. His band, which includes Bruce Simpson, Jeannie Butler, and Bob Kelly, will be performing a 30-minute set of songs written by Volkersz, along with a few covers.

The other Open Stage is on Thursday, November 30, with Wendy Keith and her Alleged Band, which includes Doug Farrell, Walden Whitham, and Jack Carlton. Wendy is well known in the Monadnock Region for her clear voice and thoughtful lyrics, playing folk-flavored Americana.

Musicians, poets, storytellers, dancers, and actors, are encouraged to sign up for a 10-minute, or two-song, set, whichever comes first. Performers may sign up in advance via email starting one week prior to each event at info@dublincommunitycenter.org or sign up at the door. Doors open at 7 pm; the show starts at 7:30. Admission is \$5, plus participants are encouraged to bring snacks and beverages. This is a family-friendly event.

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More Events at the Hub

Benefit for Puerto Rico by Local Musicians

Musicians from the Monadnock Ukulele Group and the DubHub Song Circle will hold a benefit concert on Saturday, November 4, to help rebuild the lives of families in Puerto Rico affected by Hurricane Maria. The storm, which was



the worst to hit the island in 85 years, destroyed thousands of homes, leaving many residents without basic necessities.

The concert begins at 7 pm. Tickets are \$10 per person at the door, with all proceeds going to the Hispanic Federation's Puerto Rican Relief Fund; 90% of all funds donated to the HF will be used in PR to rebuild lives.

We are excited to have local musicians Jibe Manco (Beth Mangano and Jim

Coburn), Rick and The Redhead (Rick and Diane Ammons), and Decatur Creek (Doug Farrell, Steve Dionne and Jack Carlton) join the lineup! We also offer refreshments, and silent auction items, including signed art and a ukulele.

For more information, contact Nancy Nolan, 603-785-9857. Donations will gladly be accepted from those who cannot attend.

Craft Night is an Apparel Drive

When it's cold outside, our community's homeless men and women

are especially at risk to winter's elements. You can help through the Warm Hands Warm Hearts Apparel Drive,



offered by the Mountain View Bible Church. Come on Tuesday, November 7, from 7 to 9 pm. Drop off hats, scarves,

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. gloves, socks or stay to knit, crochet, and sew these items for the apparel drive. Please email Liz Ogden secretary@ mtnviewbible.org or call 563-8069 with questions.

Lyme Support Group Meets

If you have been diagnosed with Lyme disease, or know someone who has, please join Deb Golden for mutual support and to share valuable information. This group meets monthly on the second Thursday of the month, which is November 9, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

Join the Ukulele Group

If you play ukulele, or want to learn, join this all-ages monthly gathering on the third Friday of the month (November 17), from 7 to 9 pm. Music is emailed in advance. Contact Nancy Nolan at 785-9857 or email thoreaucottage@gmail.com.

DubHub Song Circle

The new DubHub Song Circle, formerly "open mic" hosted by Bruce Simpson, now meets on the Fourth Friday of the month, November 24, from 7 to 9 pm. Musicians come prepared to share songs, and if they want others to play along they bring extra lyric sheets with chords. Anyone is encouraged to attend, to listen, and/ or sing along. Donations for the DubHub are encouraged. And BYOB. This is a family-friendly event. The Dublin Community Forum will not take place in November or December due to the holidays.

Coffee & Conversation

The DubHub is open for coffee and conversation every Monday and Wednesday, from 9 am until noon. On Wednesdays we also often witness a serious game of Scrabble! The DubHub gallery is open on Mondays until 5 pm, along with free Wifi and a comfortable chair, and on Wednesdays until 4 pm.

Ongoing Movement Classes

On Mondays, Zumba meets at the Dub-Hub, led by Deb Giaimo, from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Kick off your week! You may contact her 563-4868. Cost is \$10/class or \$35/8-week session.

Every Wednesday from noon to 1 pm, QiGong is taught by Ginnette Groom. Come for a centering hour of the ancient Chinese practice. Call 313-9828 for more information. Cost is \$15/class or \$96/8week session.

Also on Wednesdays: the DubHub hosts Gentle Yoga with Katrina Lewers, from 4 to 5:15 pm. All levels and drop-ins are welcome. Cost is \$12/class or \$60/6 classes. Contact Katrina at klewers@tds.net for more information.

Small Treasures, A Little Art Show

"Yes, we need a little Christmas, right this very minute, Candles at the window, carols at the spinet..."

Coming early in December is "The Small Treasures Art Show," a new art show that will feature small works of art by more than 40 local artists. The pieces range in size from 3x3 to 5x7 and any size in between, including three-dimensional pieces.

The Small Treasures Art Show will run three days: December 2 (10 am to 3 pm), December 3 (12 to 3 pm), and December 4 (10 am to 3 pm).

The entries include a variety of watercolors, oils, pastels, photography, as well as glass, pottery, origami, jewelry, and more.

The artists are your friends and neighbors! Some of the local artists from the immediate Monadnock Region include April Claggett, Mary Cornog, Joyce Fearnside, Stevee Greeff, Jillian Karlicek, Sheila King, Rosemary Mack, Jane Simpson, Sally Shonk, Edie Tuttle, Anne Marie Warren, and more.

This is a fundraiser for the Dublin Community Center, and the treasures will be affordable, portable, and ready to wrap for holiday gifts. You can add them to your own décor, or present them on festive occasions.

For more information, please email info@dublincommunitycenter.org, or call the Hub at 563-8080.

A Happy Business

BY MARY LOFTIS

Erin Moore is a busy woman. In addition to being the mother of three children ranging in age from 5 to 10, she teaches four days a week at Robin's Nest Nature Preschool in Peterborough, makes upcycled wool children's garments, and educates friends and neighbors about the benefits of doTERRA essential oils.

As a mother and proponent of natural remedies for her family, Erin was drawn to this line of essential oils because they are indigenously sourced and responsibly manufactured by a Utah-based company that is socially responsible and altruistic.

doTERRA lavender oil, for instance, originates in France and contains no chemicals or artificial ingredients. As Erin and her young children know, it has amazing powers to help with bumps, bruises, and cuts. Other oil combinations are effective for immune support. She says the different oils, which are certified pure therapeutic grade, can be taken for sleep, stress, hormone balancing as well as used for cleaning and disinfecting. One quality she likes most about the essential oil remedies is that any "side effects" are only positive,



such as increased energy.

Erin is a living testament to the effectiveness of these oils: she exudes health, energy, and wellbeing! She loves sharing her enthusiasm with classes in friends' living rooms on the "ins and outs" of oils. She has also presented these products in such settings as the Monadnock Wellness Festival and a Mother and Baby Expo in Nashua. Several local introductory classes are scheduled: Introduction to Essential Oils, Tuesday, November 7, 7 pm at 69 Main Street, Peterborough; and Keeping Healthy with Essential Oils, Monday, November 13, 7 pm, at 41 Main Street, Harrisville.

Meanwhile, if you would like to communicate with Erin about doTERRA essential oils, you can email her at moorehappy@gmail.com.

MARY LOFTIS is on the staff of the Advocate.

Report Rabbit Sightings

A new citizen-science project called NH Rabbit Reports (nhrabbitreports.org) is seeking participants to collect data, take photos, and report sightings of rabbits throughout New Hampshire. It is sponsored by UNH Cooperative Extension

and the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, with support from the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of New Hampshire.

Anyone can participate, and rabbit



sightinLearn more about this initiative at www.wildnh.com/nongame/project-ne-cottontail.html, visit nhrabbitreports.org.



Raylynmor Opera Melds Two Performances

Suitable for children and music aficionados of all persuasions. BY DONNA GARNER for children that fosters an

Bon Appétit! by Lee Hoiby and Hansel and Gretel by Englebert Humperdinck is a combined musical performance that seeks to reach those who have not been exposed to opera and to give children an opportunity to perform and expand their music education. Bon Appétit! | Hansel and Gretel will be presented at Dublin School's Fountain Arts Building on Friday, November 17 at 7 pm, and Sunday, November 19 at 2 pm.

The Friday evening performance will include a pre-performance talk by celebrity chef, James Dodge, who is the head of the Julia Child Foundation. James will share stories of cooking with Julia.

Bon Appétit! is a one-woman one-act opera in which we see an episode of New England's own "French Chef" Julia Child baking a chocolate cake. *Hansel and Gretel,* a masterpiece of the Romantic Movement, is based on the popular fairy tale.

Bon Appétit! | Hansel and Gretel marks Raylynmor Opera's second collaboration with Dublin School. Its theater space will be transformed, with the audience seated in-the-round, to allow every attendee to have a distinct perspective of the opera.

Bon Appétit! | Hansel and Gretel will be a family-friendly delight for everyone who attends. And to give back to the community and inspired by the theme of hunger in Hansel and Gretel, Raylynmor will sponsor a food drive in conjunction with this production for the Community Kitchen in Keene. Raylynmor is also collaborating with the Grand Monadnock Youth Choirs and the Colonial Theatre's Opera-tunity program, a music-education outreach club for children that fosters an appreciation for opera in elementary school-aged children.

The performance will be the professional debut of Keene State College music student Molly McCoy, a soprano with a concentration in voice performance, who appears as the Dew Fairy in *Hansel and Gretel*.

Artistic Director Ben Robinson is the stage director for the performance and Thomas Martin, former music teacher at Keene High School, will be the pianist.

Tickets to the Opera are \$30 for adults and \$5 for students ages 13-23; children 12 and under are free. Tickets can be obtained on the Opera's website at www.raylynmor. com. No charge for children under 10.

DONNA GARNER is on the Raylynmor Opera board.



Yankee Publishing's Solar Array at Work

BY RUSTY BASTEDO

Yankee Publishing has had a Dublin presence since the founding of *Yankee* magazine in September 1935. Today Yankee Publishing includes much more than a single magazine. We spoke with Jamie Trowbridge, grandson of Yankee founders Robb and "Trix" Sagendorph about the long-time Dublin business, which is Dublin's largest employer.

Yankee Publishing is still family owned, and still profitable, in today's magazine publishing world. While its audience for the "printed" word remains constant, Yankee Publishing is experiencing explosive growth in new digital media, such as its audience of more than five million monthly unique visitors to Almanac.com, its website for the *Old Farmer's Almanac*. New audiences searching for information about the weather, gardening, recipes, or New England's travel and tourism destinations are directed to Yankee Publishing sites.

New forms of information distribution

have required constant investment in new technologies. Yankee Publishing has also invested in new technology in the form of its new solar array. A federal tax credit and a rebate from the N.H. Public Utilities Commission provide a "known benefit" for Yankee Publishing when calculating the return on investment over the (estimated) 25-year life of the array. The size of the array was limited by Eversource, and the state legislature governs its "net metering." In addition, because of its offices' location in the village, Yankee Publishing had to consider the visual impact of the solar panels, which are located on the field adjacent to Monument Road. With all these considerations, however, Yankee Publishing has gained some control over its costs for electricity for the next 25 years. And that "known benefit" is a plus for a company that must operate in a publishing world that is changing at a terrific pace.

RUSTY BASTEDO has been a member of the *Advocate* staff since its inception.



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Art Tour: Dublin Artists

A lthough the weather during Columbus Day weekend was a mixed bag, the 22nd Annual Art Tour, sponsored by Monadnock Art / Friends of the Dublin Art Colony, was a big success for 50 participating artists. Five Dublin artists shared their art (and their lives as artists) by opening their studios to visitors from here and beyond the Monadnock Region, including artists from surrounding New England states.







CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE: Susan Barker and Nina Brogna, sterling silver and beaded jewelry; Jane Simpson, mixed media; Rebecca Welch, hand-dyed scarves and paintings; Carol Lake and Maryann Mullett, sculpture and paintings; Paul Tuller, Japanese woodworking.







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Poetry on Tap at DelRossi's

Cince 1989, DelRossi's Trattoria has been Serving Italian cuisine, featuring its own homemade pasta. Diners can enjoy music, poetry, and servers who have been employed by Dave and Elaina DelRossi for decades. In November, the restaurant



takes its vacation break so its schedule will change to being closed Mondays as usual, all Tuesdays (7, 14, 21, 28), and serving dinner

Wednesdays through Saturdays from 5 to 8:30 pm and Sundays from 4 to 8 pm. DelRossis will be closed for meals during the week of Thanksgiving, and will reopen Friday, November 24.

In the meantime, a Poetry Reading called Autumn Oracles 2017 will take place on Sunday, November19, at 2:30 pm with social and sign-up at 3 pm. Open Reading followed by feature poets Martha Carlson Bradley (Granite State Poetry Series: 2017) and Alice Fogel (A Doubtful House: 2017). Donations appreciated.

DelRossi's Trattoria is on Rte. 137 North: call 563-7195 for details or visit www.delrossis.com.

HCS Poinsettias Support Care in Our Region

For the upcoming 22nd Annual Poin-settia Sale to benefit Hospice at HCS, plants will be available at the HCS offices in Keene and Peterborough during November and December. Like Hospice at HCS, the poinsettias are local - grown here in New Hampshire.

The plants are available in red, pink, and white and come in three sizes: a single stem plant in a 6" pot with 6 to 8 blooms (\$10); a double stem plant in a 7" pot with 12 to 15 blooms (\$20); and a triple stem plant with 20 to 25 blooms (\$30).

Order forms are due Thursday, November 16. For details, visit www.HCSservices. org, call 352-2253 x294, or email poinsettias@HCSservices.org. HCS is a United Way agency.

HCS Offers Walk-in Hours at Peterborough Office

▼ Tome Healthcare, Hospice and Com-I munity Services (HCS) welcomes residents of Dublin to "Walk-in Wednesdays." Drop in for free, off-the-record, individualized advice from our staff members who specialize in home care, hospice, and

advance-care planning. Lighten your worries as you learn about ways we can help.

Walk-in Wednesdays will be held November 1 from 3 to 5 pm at the HCS office in Peterborough, located at 45 Main Street, Suite 316. Those who are not able to stop by are encouraged to call 532-8353 for information any time.

HCS is a Mondanock United Way agency.

Holiday Stroll in Peterborough

or more than 20 years, the Annual \mathbf{F} Holiday Stroll in Peterborough offers a great way to get in the holiday spirit and kick start your holiday shopping. On Saturday, November 18, from 9 am to 2 pm, you can visit many craft fairs in one day: meet Santa and make a wish; feast on baked goods at the Methodist Church, or sample cookie platters at Divine Mercy.

You can take part in the cookie walk at the Unitarian Universalist Church, greet Santa's Elf at the Serendipity Shop, decorate your home with the berry bowls from the Congregational Church, pick up good winter reading at Keyes-Sage, or visit the hospitality center at the Christian Science Church. All are welcome.



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7th Annual Mountain Shadows School Auction

A fundraiser for history tours.

Mountain Shadows School is currently running its annual Online Auction to benefit its students' American History Tours, which are the culmination of the 7th and 8th grade studies in American History.

The Auction has been the primary fundraiser for the school's History Tours, which most students name as their favorite memory of all their years at Mountain Shadows. Each year the school seeks to keep the trips affordable for every student at the school despite rising costs of hotels and transportation. Two years ago, the school made the decision to travel to Boston instead of taking 7th graders to Philadelphia, due to rising hotel costs.

The Mountain Shadows Auction has been successful for nearly ten years due to the generosity of local businesses and the hard work and creativity of Mountain Shadows students and families. Every year, the auction offers different items; this year it includes lift tickets from five local mountains, home-baked brownies, handmade jewelry, hand-blown glass, and gift certificates to local farms, shops, and restaurants.

The Mountain Shadows Auction closes November 12. Go to www.32auctions.com/ MountainShadows2017 or visit the Mountain Shadows School website at www. mountainshadowsschool.com.

Dublin Restaurant Rebuilds and Reopens

A udrey's Restaurant, just this side of the Marlborough line, reopened mid-August with a new, modern look and a full upgrade to the menu. Open six days a week (Tuesday through Saturday, 7 am to 3 pm; Sunday 8 am to 3 pm), the new Audrey's serves breakfast and lunch with options like turkey and traditional fixings, usually associated with dinner. All the food is made from scratch on a daily basis. The décor is airy and modern with original artwork by Harrisville artist Michael Reilly. Stop in to experience the reincarnation of a traditional Dublin eatery!



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Peregrine Falcon

BY TOM WARREN

With the fall migration at Pack Monadnock now half completed (mid-October) and with the number of raptors flying by the mountain reaching 10,000 on October 8th, raptor observers turn their attention to smaller numbers but some of the most spectacular birds in North America: foremost among these, the Peregrine Falcon.

The Peregrine Falcon is a bird genetically programmed for high speed and acrobatic flight. They can capture birds as small as warblers and as large as geese reaching speeds of 200 miles an hour in a stoop. They and their cousin, the Gyrfalcon, are killing machines with no equal in the bird world.

While it is widely distributed throughout the world, the Peregrine Falcon has never been common. In North America they breed from the high Arctic in Greenland along the mountain ranges of both coasts and all the way to Mexico. The breeding population was about 10,000 to 12,000 pairs before DDT introduced a decline and nearly caused the Peregrine Falcon to become extinct in the 1960s and 1970s.



In 1965, the cause of the Peregrine Falcon's decline was known to be the insecticides DDT and other organ chlorine pesticides. To save the Peregrine, a captive breeding program was started and DDT was banned. Today, they have made a remarkable comeback and some 50-75 birds pass through the mountain ridges in the Monadnock Region on their autumnal migration.

They formerly built their nests on cliffs

and crags but today will often use buildings and bridges. In Manchester, for example, one nests on a downtown bank building.

Here in Dublin we can see them on the ridge lines of Mt. Monadnock when hiking in October and November. They especially prefer days with strong northwest winds following passage of cold fronts and even on cloudy days with

a touch of snow in the air.

In winter they frequent tall buildings like The Custom House Tower in Boston where they control the pigeon population quite effectively.

To see this bird once, effortlessly flying against the brisk autumn winds of Mt. Monadnock, is to witness the true wildness of nature.

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NOVEMBER 2017 Dublin Town Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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5 Daylight 5 Savings Time ends Set clocks back	GHUB Coffee & Conversation, 9 am- Noon; Gallery & Wifi, 9 am-5 pm; Zumba 5:30-6:30 pm; TH BOS 4 pm	7 DPL HillTop Group 6:45 pm; HUB MBVC Craft Night: Apparel Drive 7-9 pm	Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution	9 HUB Lyme Support Group, 6:30-8:30 pm	10	11 Veteran's Day DPL closed
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26	27 HUB Coffee & 9 am-Noon; Gallery & Wifi, 9 am-5 pm; Zumba 5:30-6:30 pm; Cider Monday (Buy Local); TH BOS 4 pm	28 Group 6:45 pm; DCC Community Supper 5:30-6:30 pm	29922 Story Time 9:30 am; HUB Coffee 9 am-Noon; QiGong 12-1 pm; Yoga 4-5:15 pm. DPL Evening for Adults, tea & activity, 6:30 pm; DCC TwoHat Group 7 pm	30 HUB Open Stage featuring Wendy Keith, 7-10 pm		

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